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After a staggering 32 years in the football wilderness, Australia has finally arrived, reaching the round of sixteen of the FIFA Football World Cup.

Australia's opening clash against Japan in Kaiserslautern proved to be the impetus to second round qualification, and now the German city again will be the stage for Australia's sudden death clash against the footballing superpower, Italy.

Before we digress and get carried away with novocaine like most of the media in this country, we analyse the Footyros' chances of progressing against the famous "Azzurri".

Without a doubt Australia have thoroughly deserved to progress along with Brazil to the second round, as the courageous efforts by our Footyros have been quite refreshing, and their

They also have the uncanny ability to frustrate and blunt the best attacking teams in the world, making them one of the most formidable foes in the world of football.

cavalier like approach will suit them to a tee in the final knock-out stages of the tournament. But the sobering reality is, that we have only claimed the scalp of Japan thus far.

Yes, against Brazil we showed in large patches that we could match the "Samba Kings", and that we had what it takes to get the required result, all be it a draw, against a European nation of the likes of Croatia.

Fortunately for Australia, the Azzurri are not Brazil, but they are a grade higher than their Adriatic neighbours, Croatia. The Italians are more than just perineal second round pests, having already reached the ultimate summit three times prior and always figuring amongst the favourites.

The Azzurri style of play is variably different than that of their neighbours Croatia, as the Italians play a slower paced game, with emphasises on possession and defence. The Azzurri have the knack to choking teams into submission, strangling the mechanics of opposition teams with their hypnotic tempo. They lull teams into a false sense of security before striking least expectedly. They also have the uncanny ability to frustrate and blunt the best attacking teams in the world,



making them one of the most formidable foes in the world of football.

An ace that Australia have up their sleeve, is of course their maestro and composer Guus Hiddink. Four years ago, Guus did the unimaginable, bundling out the Italians in the round of sixteen when he was in charge of Sth. Korea. Four years later, the Italians will be well aware of Hiddink's ability to wave a wand of magic once again.

The greatest weapon Guus has instilled into Australian team has been their inept ability to change and adapt, a virtual form of Darwinism on the football field. It's that ability that makes Australia difficult to read and also ably ready to react to any situation. This type of rapid response will be tested with all its guile against the class of the Italians.

So the question is: Can Guus' football Darwin-

ism unravel one of the oldest predators in football?

Tonight we learn how far the Australian football evolution has come.

By Bruno Zovko

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VODAFONE CUP

DETAILS



ROUND 17 SCOREBOARD

RICHMOND EAGLES 4 - 3 GREEN GULLY

Friday 23rd June Kevin Bartlett Reserve Crowd: 700

Goals: D.Visevic (RE) 7th min, B.Beni (RE) 54th min, M.Sanders (GG) 60th, J.Robinson (RE) 61st, X.Sulemani (RE) 88th min, A.Vargas (GG) 90th, J.Flemming (GG) 90th.
Yellow cards: B.Beni (RE) 14th min, J.Nikolic (GG) 58th min, P.Schwalger (GG) 90th.
Red cards: L.Lapsansky (GG) 90th min.

Eagles: R.Simioni, S.Webster, S.Burton (N.Kalambokis 70th), J.Baskerville, S.McCluskey, B.Beni, D.Visevic (F.O'Colmain 70th), S.Sivic, V.Korcarevski (X.Sulemani 71st), N.Bahnsen, J.Robinson.

Gully: P.Schwalger, P.Riccobene, D.Fak, Z.Markovski (J.Nikolic 39th), J.Flemming, B.Vassallo, M.Sanders, R.Ollerton (L.Lapsansky 75th), D.Nastevski, A.Vargas, R.Cardozo.

KINGSTON CITY 1 - 1 OAKLEIGH CANNONS

Friday 23rd June The Grange Reserve Crowd: 1100

Goals: J.Di Iorio (KC), E.Masi (OC)
Yellow cards: A.Kiratzoglou (KC) 54th min, G.Goutzioulis (OC) 50th min, A.Ewin (OC) 78th min.
Red cards: None

Kingston: D.Zilic, S.Isofidis, C.Anthopoulos, C.Konstans, M.Stergopoulos, M.Curcija, J.Di Iorio, J.Spiteri, P.Koutsoupas (A.Sabau 30th), A.Kiratzoglou, N.Stamatiou.

Cannons: S.Webster, F.Rosman, A.Kovacic, S.Poutakidis, A.Pelikan, A.Ewin, S.Webster, C.Boutsianis, J.Nilo, E.Masi (B.Damianos 72nd), G.Goutzioulis.

HEIDELBERG UNITED 1 - 0 FRANKSTON PINES

Sunday 25th June Olympic Village Crowd: N/A

Goals:
Yellow cards:
Red cards:

Bergers:

Pines:

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MELBOURNE KNIGHTS 2 - 1 SUNSHINE GEORGIES

Sunday 25th June Knights Stadium Crowd: 1500

Goals: D.Delic (SG) 21st min, D.Matkovic (MK) 34th min, L.Slater (MK) 79th min.
Yellow cards: I.Klarica (MK) 22nd, D.Matkovic (MK) 34th, B.Gilmour (SG) 62nd, S.Mitrovic (SG) 78th.
Red cards: None

Knights: A.Cagalj, I.Klarica (T.Milardovic 53rd), R.Casey, D.Matkovic, N.Antic, J.Kozic, G.Tolevski, H.Matkovic (C.Elvin 89th), L.Slater, A.Barisic.

Georgies: M.Fiorenza, E.Muscat, C.Azzopardi, I.Erdogan, A.Tsirtsakis, S.Mitrovic (E.Soaes 77th), B.Gilmour, T.Watson (R.Napoli 46th), D.Delic, F.Richards, M.Draycott.

FAWKNER/WHITTLESEA 2 - 1 BULLEEN ZEBRAS

Sunday 25th June Epping Stadium Crowd:

Goals:
Yellow cards:
Red cards:

Blues:

Zebbras:

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PRESTON LIONS 2 - 2 SOUTH MELBOURNE

Sunday 25th June Connor Reserve Crowd:

Goals:
Yellow cards:
Red cards:

Lions:

South:

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PLAYING TONIGHT

ESSENDON ROYALSALTONA MAGIC

Monday 26th June Veneto Social Club Crowd:.....

Goals:.....
Yellow cards:.....
Red cards:.....

VODAFONE CUP TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Oakleigh Cannons	16	10	4	2	32	17	34
South Melbourne	17	9	3	5	34	20	30
Kingston City	17	8	5	4	27	19	29
Altona Magic	16	7	7	2	21	13	28
Heidelberg Utd	17	7	5	5	24	22	26
Melbourne Knights	17	6	6	5	23	26	24
Bulleen Zebras	17	6	5	6	18	21	23
Fawkner Blues	17	7	1	9	30	31	22
Sunshine Georgies	17	5	4	8	21	24	19
Preston Lions	17	4	7	6	28	33	19
Essendon Royals	16	4	5	7	16	21	17
Richmond Eagles	17	3	7	7	22	31	16
Green Gully	16	3	6	7	21	26	15
Frankston Pines	17	4	3	10	15	27	15



Lions v South



Blues v Zebras

VODAFONE CUP RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Green Gully Cavaliers SC	16	12	3	1	40	14	39
Richmond SC	17	10	3	4	35	21	33
Fawkner-Whittlesea SC	16	8	4	4	27	18	28
Preston Lions SC	17	8	3	6	28	28	27
South Melbourne FC	15	7	4	4	28	22	25
Sunshine Georgies SC	17	7	3	7	41	26	24
Altona Magic SC	16	7	1	8	30	28	22
Essendon Royals SC	16	6	4	6	20	24	22
Bulleen Zebras SC	15	6	3	6	22	27	21
Oakleigh Cannons SC	16	5	5	6	27	25	20
Heidelberg United SC	16	5	5	6	24	27	20
Melbourne Knights SC	17	6	1	10	22	37	19
Kingston City SC	17	3	3	11	21	45	12
Frankston Pines SC	17	3	0	14	20	43	9

Kingston City 1
Oakleigh Cannons 3,

Richmond 1 Green
Gully Cavaliers 6,

Melbourne Knights 1
Sunshine Georgies 0,

Preston Lions 1
South Melbourne 1,

Heidelberg United 3
Frankston Pines 1,

Fawkner-Whittlesea
Bulleen Zebras ,

Essendon Royals
Altona Magic

VODAFONE CUP ROUND 18

OAKLEIGH CANNONS v PRESTON LIONS

Friday 30th June

Jack Edwards Reserve,

Oakleigh Mel: 69 H9

KO 8:15pm

RICHMOND EAGLES v SUNSHINE GEORGIES

Friday 30th June

Kevin Bartlett Reserve,

Richmond Mel: 59 A1

KO 9.30pm

FRANKSTON PINES v FAWKNER/WHITTLESEA

Saturday 1st July

Monterey Reserve,

Frankston Mel: 99 K8

KO 3:00pm

ALTONA MAGIC v MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

Saturday 1st July

Paisley Park Reserve,

Altona Mel: 55 C5

KO 7:30PM

GREEN GULLY v HEIDELBERG UNITED

Sunday 2nd July

Green Gully Reserve

Keilor Mel: 14 E8

KO 5:00pm

SOUTH MELBOURNE v ESSENDON ROYALS

Sunday 2nd July

Bob Jane Stadium,

Albert Park Mel: 2K F6

KO 6pm

BULLEEN ZEBRAS v KINGSTON CITY

Monday 3rd July

Veneto Social Club,

Bulleen Mel: 32 D9

KO 8:15pm

VODAFONE CUP LEADING GOALSCORERS

Becvinovski, Saso
Altona Magic SC 10

Curcija, Michael
Kingston City SC 10

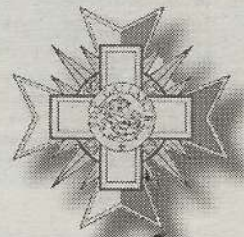
Magnacca, Anthony
Preston Lions SC 8



VODAFONE CUP

Round 17


KNIGHTS BOUNCE BACK AFTER DERBY DEFEAT



SPOLJAR OFF TO WINNING START AT SOMERS ST

Melbourne Knights 2 - 1 Sunshine Georgies

In what turned out to be a dull encounter, the Melbourne Knights secured all three points against local rivals the Sunshine Georgies. The new-look hosts, restructured under Joe Spoljar and Mustafa Pestalic looked slightly disjointed early on, but managed to improve with every passing minute.

In what was a quiet first half, a 13th minute free kick by Dario Matkovic was the first worthwhile incident. The dipping cross surprised everyone including the Georgies keeper Michael Fiorenza, but unfortunately for the home side the ball eluded the Knights attackers.

A minute later Hrvoje Matkovic crossed for team mate Andrew Barisic, but the powerful striker just failed to connect.

The Georgies took a while to settle but as soon as they did they opened the scoring. A clever pass from Trent Waterson for Mark Draycott saw the latter's shot parried by Adrian Cagalj in the Knights goal. Fidel Richards reacted quickest to tap in for the home side for a 21st minute lead.

The home side responded in the 23rd with Ryan Casey finding Josip Kozic who played a neat 1-2 with Barisic. The combative midfielder found himself with only the keeper to beat, but his shot flies harmlessly wide of the



upright.

It took until the 34th minute for the Knights to break through the Georgies defence. A penetrating Neven Antic run resulted in a free kick 25-metres from goal. Dario Matkovic stepped up and curled a lovely free kick over the wall for a fabulous equaliser.

The final action of the first half came in the

36th minute. Fidel Richards nearly scored his second with an audacious goal from the by-line, but Casey clears off the line for the hosts.

The second half began with Joseph Montemurro replacing his captain Emanuel Muscat for Ralph Napoli. It was a 50th minute through ball by Napoli that found Richards on the run, but his shot flew wide of Cagalj's goal. It was to be Napoli's first and final contribution as an injury forced the Georgies into another unexpected substitution.

In the 54th minute Barisic found space for a shot, which was well saved by Fiorenza.

Persistent pressure by the Knights saw numerous half chances created, typified by Hrvoje Matkovic's cross for Goran Talevski, who fires high and wide of the goal.

A response by the visitors in the 71st minute saw the impressive Waterson's cross miss kicked by Brett Gilmore. The midfielder's attempted effort found Draycott, whose shot was cleared off the line.

The winner came in the 76th minute when a brilliant run by Talvski found Barisic, who flicked on for the onrushing Luke Slater. The diminutive forward reacted sharply to the clever move to strike the winner past Fiorenza.

The final ten minutes were scrappy and uninspired but the Knights held on for a priceless win.

By Josip Loncaric

Right: New Knights Coach Joe Spoljar

Joe Spoljar
Coach, Melbourne Knights:

It was a very hard fought match. The Georgies are very well drilled under Joe Montemurro, but it was a match we just couldn't afford to lose. We've obviously experienced some turbulence over the last few weeks and it was a very sad day when Joe Biskic left. It was his squad out there today and a fantastic effort by the boys after our 7-0 catastrophe.

Australia has a chance with its "Mad Dog" mentality and I don't think Italy will be any different. We are the underdogs but this team does not know how to give up, simple as that. I believe Australia can get the result.

Fab Incantaloupo
Asst Coach, Sunshine Georgies:

We went 1-0 up and looked comfortable. We came out in the second half and didn't get our game flowing with any rhythm. We didn't have the quality to hold the ball or keep it moving. It was one of those games and we just need to back it up with our Friday game against Richmond.

Prediction

I hope Australia goes through. I think it will probably go to extra time and penalties.

Man of the Match
Neven Antic
(Knights)



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Round 17


GASPARIS SNATCHES TWO POINTS FROM SOUTH



Preston Lions 2 - 2 South Melbourne

Marinos Gasparis' controversial late equalizer helped Preston snatch a late draw against South Melbourne. On a cold winter's afternoon in front of about 1500 supporters both sides showed their intent to attack and play enterprising football.

As early as the 6th minute a well worked build up down the right wing involving Preston captain Zaya Younan and Gasparis, saw Gasparis cross perfectly to the far post for Nick Lazarevski to come in and rifle a header into the back of the net. Preston continued their attack on the South defence. Magnacca and Lazarevski were both looking lively and were looking to run at their opposition players at every cost. However Preston always looked more dangerous when they were involving wide men Georgioski and Gasparis to stretch South and provide some good service to their forwards.

South adjusted to this by with drawing Tansel Baser out of midfield and into defence and reverting to a back four. This seemed to quell some of the forward thrust of Preston and allowed South to get a hold of the midfield through some swift passing and clever running off the ball by Scott MacNicol and George Tzirtis. As the first half wore on South's territorial domination started to provide their forwards with some opportunities. In the 29th minute Oliveira played Coveny through who beat the oncoming keeper to the ball which enabled the ball to fall to his striking partner Kevin Nelson who struck a well timed shot which was cleared off the line by the hard working

and energetic Steven Pace.

Preston did not heed the warning and in the 33rd minute some nice passing between Oliveira and Nelson, allowed Oliveira to play a long ball to the far post for Coveny to out jump Savas Ozdemir and header in to an empty net.

South came out after the break and looked the more positive and continued to press forward. Preston paid dearly in the 49th minute for failing to clear a De Nittis cross and the ball found its way to Kevin Nelson who appeared to be in an offside position but the referee must have seen something the rest of us didn't and awarded South a penalty for a foul on Nelson. Oliveira kept his cool and placed the penalty kick calmly past Ozdemir to give South a deserved lead.

Preston was now rocked into action and started to dominate in midfield with Steven Pace and Pece Siveski running the show and starting to bring the wide runners of Preston into the game. Gasparis was now looking very menacing and when given any opportunity he provided some very good crosses for the Preston forwards. South were being well served now by Dino Djulbic who was handling the aerial threat with ease.

Some nice work down the right wing once again involving Man of the Match Gasparis and Siveski saw Pace control the ball in the box and beat his man before cutting back to Georgioski who ballooned his chance from less than ten metres out with only Dean Anastasiadis to beat.

South coach John Anastasiadis withdrew Kevin Nelson in the 75th minute and replaced him with a defender James Stefanou. This was a clear indication that South was keen to close the game up and take their 3 points home with them.

In the 79th minute the game was thrown into controversy when Dean Anastasiadis collected a simple cross and was in the act of preparing to release the ball and had it knocked from his grasp by a Preston player, the ball duly fell at the feet of Gasparis who calmly slotted his shot into the back of the net from about 8 metres out. Despite heated protests from all the South players the Referee and his assistant both failed to spot the foul on the keeper and the goal stood. Disappointment for South who will be ruing the loss of the two points, and high reward for Gasparis who was a menace all day for the South defence.

A frantic finish to the game was always on the cards and both sides threw caution to the wind looking for the winning goal. Vaughan Coveny turned his marker inside the box and narrowly missed with his low shot to the right side of the goal. Almost the last act of the day was the sending off of Les Anastasiou for a clumsy foul on Tavsancioglu, his second bookable offence for the afternoon.

By George Cotsanis

Goran Lozanovski

Coach, Preston Lions:

It was a good performance, especially the first half an hour. Overall it was a good result. We were confident playing at home... it would have been good to get all three points but I'm happy with a 2-2 draw.

Prediction

I think Australia can win 2-1. It will probably go to extra time.

John Anastasiadis:

Coach, South Melbourne:

We started off pretty slowly before getting things going and playing some good stuff.

It was a hard game and a physical contest with both teams needing the points for their own reasons. I'm pretty happy we came away with a point.

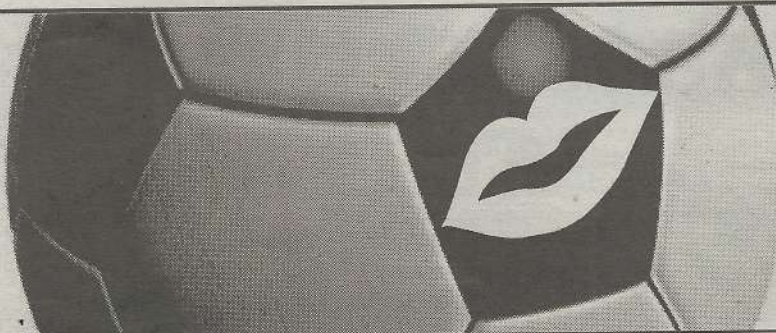
Prediction

I think we've got a strong case. We can match any team at the moment and it will probably be a draw. Once it goes to penalties it could be anybody's game and you might as well just toss a coin.

**Man of the Match
Marinos Gasparis
(Lions)**



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VODAFONE CUP

Round 17



BLUES TAKE THE POINTS FROM DEPLETED ZEBRAS



Fawkner-Whittlesea 2 - 1 Bulleen Zebras



A MARK Tsiorlas header helped Fawkner/Whittlesea move ever closer to the Vodafone Cup top six after a 2-1 win over Bulleen on Sunday night.

The Blues capitalised on an injury riddled Zebras outfit to claim its seventh victory of the season and move to within one point of Bulleen on the ladder.

It was a slow opening in the Italian derby at Epping Soccer Stadium, but Bulleen had much of the play in the first 15 minutes, led by some stoic defending, and created the first meaningful chance to score.

The Zebras received a free kick within scoring range, but a curling shot from Billy Celeski dipped just over the bar.

Only five minutes later Fawkner enjoyed their foray deep into the forward half, and it ended in the first goal of the match.

Some fancy footwork from Zoran Petrevski on the right flank led to a dangerous low cross, which bounced off a Bulleen defender and dribbled into the back of the net.

Almost instantly the Zebras went back on the attack, and they almost equalised when a brilliant cross from Celeski just eluded the outstretched led of Ben Harbison.

As well as the deficit it faced, Bulleen also had to contend with a slimming bench as Stelios Drakos was taken off on a stretcher with a leg injury midway through the half.

The Zebras were forced into a second substitution when striker Harbison limped after 40 minutes, and vital linkman Celeski was also helped from the field on the stroke of half time.

Celeski looked to shrug off the injury when he

returned with his team-mates for the start of the second half, but he lasted just two minutes before being forced to the bench.

Despite its makeshift formation, the Zebras created a golden opportunity in the first five minutes, but Damien Guglielmi's powerful shot blasted just wide of the upright.

The Blues were content to sit on the lead, pushing numbers back and working on the counter, but it was made to pay when Bulleen found a spectacular equaliser in the first 15 minutes of the second half.

With room outside the box, Drakos' replacement Dean Piemonti launched a long-range thunderbolt which curled tantalisingly into the top right hand corner of the net.

Fawkner's only threatening attacking period in the opening 30 minutes of the second half came after a calculated midfield move and shot from Mark Tsiorlas, but it was superbly saved by Zebras 'keeper Tomas Kovar.

From the resulting corner, Tony Sterjovski provided an inch-perfect cross for Mark Tsiorlas, who climbed high to nod home the Blues' second.

By James Taylor

NB: Tony Ciancer is now the new head coach of the Thomastown Devil.

Tony Ciancer
Asst. Coach, Fawkner-Whittlesea:

It was a crucial game for both clubs fighting for a top six spot. The game could have gone either way, but the ever so reliable left foot of Sterjovski and the never say die attitude of Tsourlias was the difference in the end.

Prediction
It will be a draw at half-time and Australia will triumph 1-0 in the end.

Michael Michalakopoulos
Coach, Bulleen Zebras:

We had about four injuries during the game and ended up losing 2-1. We played quite well and deserved more. We created some good chances but in the end it was very disappointing in all factors.

Prediction
If we can hold out defensively we've got a good chance. Australia to win 2-1

Man of the Match
Carl Recchia
(Fawkner)

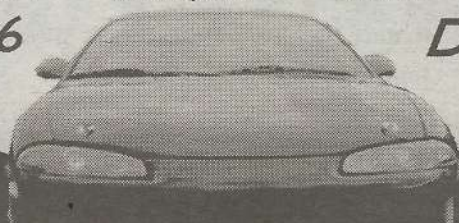


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Round 17



PENALTY GIVES BERGERS THE POINTS OVER PINES

BERGERS BACK IN THE MIX AFTER WIN



Heidelberg Utd 1 - 0 Frankston Pines

A soft second half penalty was all that saved Heidelberg Warriors from what would have been an embarrassing tie with a skeleton Frankston Pines squad.

Pines had unsuccessfully tried to have the game postponed due to a succession of injuries that have compounded the Peninsula sides woes.

The Berger's 1-0 win, played behind closed doors after an ugly spectator incident against Sunshine Georgies, puts Frankston on the bottom of the table. However questions arise about the Bergers finals prospects considering their opponents had three teenage first gamers in their starting line-up.

It wasn't until Pines' Craig Metcalfe downed Nick Marinos, and the subsequent pause in play, that the frantic opening tempo gave way to considered football. Heidelberg's Yusuf Yusuf worked well in midfield, combining with Andy Vlahos to create a few scoring opportunities early in the first half. The Bergers controlled most of the play in the first half and while the slippery conditions played a part, they weren't able to translate their work-rate into goals.

At the other end Pines' best opportunity came in the first half when Cameron Leopold put Ben Cullen on goal only to have the young defender put his shot over the bar. Pines, without a single striker, played a five-four-one formation with youngster Nick D'Angelo up front. It was a big ask for the 16 year old who was easily out muscled by the likes of Peter Roberts, Daniel Jones and Robert Lipparotti.

Goalkeeper Kieron McIvor was a stand out

for the visitors, as was defender Michael Anderson, but the times when Heidelberg opened Pines' defence they were not able to beat McIvor.

The penalty came midway through the second half after Cullen tried to poke the ball away from Joe Tricario. An older head might not have been sucked into challenging Tricario who was meandering around the box waiting for the challenge. Marinos stepped up to take the shot and expertly converted. Pines actually lifted after the goal, playing themselves into the game. When Cameron Jones was pushed off the ball on goal in the box an equaliser looked forthcoming but the visitors weren't accorded a kick. Boris Ovcin made a few incisions into the Berger's defence but was unable to get one past Lou Asceveski who was bizarrely fighting with teammate Marinos throughout the second half.

Despite the poor performance the Bergers grabbed a handy three points and can be pleased with the efforts of Jones, Tricario and Marinos.

Such are the player woes at Frankston they subbed Nick Waite on late in the match despite the big striker carrying an injury. Pines lost another two players midweek, playmaker Tas Psonis to Springvale White Eagles and Chris Patterson to Frankston Strikers, as well as not having Lindrum Tiari and David Craig on hand due to them being in Germany for the Cup.

By Jason Gillick

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Con Pappas
Coach, Heidelberg Utd

It was a hard fought victory. The conditions didn't suit the way we wanted to play. Frankston are a side that put a lot of players behind the ball and were extremely resilient. We had a lot of possession but just couldn't really break them down. We kept a clean sheet for the second time running, so it was good.

Prediction
I think the match will finish 1-1 and then Australia to do it on penalties.

Alan Hodgekinson
President, Frankston Pines:

The side was mainly made up of under 21's and their endeavor was fantastic. We are very pleased and proud of their efforts.

Prediction
Australia 2-1 in extra time.

Man of the Match
Daniel Jones
(Heidelberg)

Andy's Analysis – Round 12 Provisional League South East 1 Wrap Up

Some high scoring games saw several major upsets in Round 12 of Provisional League 1 in the South East. Springvale City has continued its impressive surge up the table with a crushing 4-0 win over fellow challengers Croydon. Goalscorers for Springvale included Klancevic, who is having a fine season, and Rizvic, who managed to score a brace. Ross Reserve is fast becoming the place every team wants to avoid.

Monash University had a tough away win, taking all 3 points to beat Rowville 1-2 and keep themselves away from the danger zone. Goalscorers for Monash were Aleksov and Salmon. Radu scored the solitary goal for the Rowville Eagle.

Southern Suburbs have kept pace with Doveton at the top, with a hard earned 1-2 win away at Freeway Reserve to Brandon Park. Ang Anagnostopoulos ensured the Southern side would get all 3 points with a double brace, the first being a lovely strike from a distance. The solitary goal for Brandon Park was scored by Andrew Mashoian.

Doveton kept Southern Suburbs at bay with a strong 1-3 win away to Warragul Utd. The daunting trip to Warragul theory was put to rest by the Doveton boys who came out convincing victors with Bristow maintaining his excellent scoring rate with another double to his name. Doveton look the goods at this stage, and are proving very tough to beat.

In other games, Carrum Utd came away with their first win of the season, with a crushing 5-1 against struggling Noble Park. The win keeps Carrum in touch with their counterparts and has been long overdue for the Carrum boys. Hopefully they'll turn their season around from here on in. Goalscorers for Carrum included Busuttil and Cordoma amongst others whilst Gagic scored for Noble Park.

In the final game of the round, Riversdale continued its white hot form with a resounding 3-1 win over high achievers White Star Dandenong. Whiteside, Priftis and Moraes all managed to get on the scoresheet for Riversdale whilst Skowronski bagged one for White Star.

The league has 2 runaway leaders, with Doveton

on top with 32 points whilst Southern Suburbs chase them in second 3 points arrear on 29 points. Croydon drop back in the chase for 2nd spot, now 8 points behind Southern Subs, whilst Springvale continue to make inroads as they surge up to 4th. At the bottom, Noble Park and Carrum United are starting to fall behind, despite Carrum's thumping win. However, if either side can string a few wins together, it should make for a very interesting battle.

Till next week

By Andrew Mashoian



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VODAFONE CUP

Round 17



TOP OF THE TABLE CLASH ENDS ALL SQUARE



Kingston City 1 - 1 Oakleigh Cannons

Local rivals and premiership contenders, Kingston City and Oakleigh Cannons fought out another stalemate in a 1-1 draw at the Grange reserve on Friday night, following their 2-2 draw early in the season.

Kingston went into the match without injured midfielders Jim Latinopoulos and Xiao Xhang and gave seventeen year old midfielder, Nick Stamatiou his senior debut. The Cannons had the experienced Bill Damianos and Steve Laurie on the bench coming back from injury. Kingston coach, George Katsakis began with a three man forward set up, pushing Joe DiIorio up along side Joe Spiteri and Michael Curcija in order to curb the thrust of the Cannons' full backs down the flanks.

The Cannons however made the brighter start to the match with the crossbar denying a Con Boutsianis header in the 13th minute following a Sam Poutakidis cross. They were soon celebrating striker Esala Masi's 25th minute goal, after a deft Juan Nilo backheel played the Oakleigh striker in behind the Kingston defense. Kingston equalised against the run of play in the 36th minute when Marcus Stergiopoulos, playing as a left midfielder, beat Cannons right back Poutakidis with a step over and crossed accurately from the byline for DiIorio to head home from the six yard box. The goal lifted Kingston and they continued to press forward

early in the second half, with DiIorio just missing a sharp chance to lob the ball into an empty goal with Oakleigh keeper Stuart Munro out of his six yard area.

Despite their efforts neither side dominated possession nor fashioned many clear cut chances. The Cannons welcomed the return of Damianos midway through the second half and he almost gave them an avenue to goal through the centre when he played Anthony Pelikan in for a shot on goal which City keeper Daniel Zilic saved low to his right.

A George Goutzioulis header went close for the Cannons late in the game, whilst Joe Spiteri had a chance to snatch the winner for Kingston when he broke through the Cannons defense for a one-on-one with keeper Stuart Webster. Webster however was quick off his line to snuff out the chance.

After the match, Kingston coach George Katsakis said, "Having a depleted squad, not having played a competitive game for two weeks, and coming off two losses in a row, it was always going to be tough. We worked on a plan all week and it worked, the boys did exceptionally well. I thought we were stiff not to get a result especially towards the end with Spiteri." Katsakis was very pleased with his 17 year old debutant, midfielder Nick Stamatiou.

Stuart Munro
Coach, Oakleigh Cannons:

I felt both teams were a little bit rusty due to the World Cup break and it wasn't such a free flowing game as one would have hoped. It was pretty match a game of two halves...we played better in the second half and created one or two good chances, but I think the 1-1 scoreline was a fair result.

Prediction:

Australia has been doing ever so well and I hope they can go at it again. I don't think there'll be many goals in this one. I really hope I'm wrong but I feel the Italians are too clever in keeping things tight. 1-0 to Italy.

"I thought he was fantastic. He had people of the calibre of Pelikan, Goutzioulis and Webster to put up with and he did really well. He stood his ground."

By George Stogiannou

George Katsakis
Coach, Kingston City

We went in this match with a very depleted squad. In general terms I was very pleased with the result and it was a classical derby game...coming off two losses and the break it was always going to be tough.

Prediction:

I reckon the Italians will prevail due to the experience they've had at that level. I'm hoping it's not the case but I think it will be a 1-0 or a 2-1 to the Italians.

Man of the Match
Marcus Stergiopoulos
(Kingston)



EAGLES RISE FROM THE BOTTOM AFTER WIN



Richmond Eagles 4 - 3 Green Gully

Richmond hosted Green Gully in a vital relegation battle "six pointer" at a wet Kevin Bartlett Reserve. The home side lost Tony Celentano to a groin injury from the side which drew 1-1 with the Melbourne Knights before the World Cup break, Semir Sivic entering the starting eleven. Gully had Roddy Vargas suspended from the team who defeated Frankston Pines, Dragi Nastevski returning to the line-up.

In the fifth minute Gully goalkeeper Pasi Schwalger spilled a through ball from Brendan Beni in the wet conditions before the ball was cleared away. Two minutes later, however, he was not as fortunate when Daniel Visevic headed the ball from almost in between his hands after a cross from Sivic to give the Eagles the lead.

A poor sliding tackle saw Beni's name placed in referee Jim Zafiriou's notebook. Richmond were frequently exposing the Gully defence, and Visevic scooped a shot over the bar in the eighteenth minute. Richie Cardozo forced Robbie Simioni into a save a few minutes later as the Cavaliers tried to get back into the game.

Richmond should really have doubled their lead just before the half hour mark. Visevic dispossessed Zoran Markovski on the left sided touchline, cutting into the eighteen yard box and squaring the ball to an unmarked Veton Korcarevski who shot over the goal from around the penalty spot. Markovski was substituted

early for Joel Nikolic, and when half-time came the score still remained 1-0 to the home side.

As soon as play resumed Ryan Ollerton found the space to fire in a shot straight at Simioni. Richmond replied with a Steve Burton cross which was headed wide by James Robinson. Back to the other end, Brandon Vassallo chipped an effort wide of goal before Richmond made a second breakthrough in the fifty-fourth minute. An exchange of passes between Sivic and Korcarevski ended with the ball finding Beni deep inside the penalty area and he slammed it beyond Schwalger to make it 2-0.

Not long after the goal Matthew Sanders volleyed onto the crossbar, before having more luck four minutes later. A header backwards from Noel Bahnsen went wide of Simioni who could only get an outstretched hand to it which fell perfectly to the young Gully striker who coolly took the opening to pull it back to 2-1.

The action was coming thick and fast, and just two minutes later Richmond won a penalty. Schwalger had come racing off his line but failed to claim the ball, spilling out to Robinson who had his lob towards the goal handballed. Robinson stepped up to convert the spot-kick, and once again Richmond had a two goal lead.

Robinson had a shot saved before Sanders wasted an opportunity by blazing over the goal after the ball was laid off to him on the left of the area. After the

quietest spell of the game, the match burst back into life in the final minutes. In the eighty-eighth substitute Xhezair Sulemani curled a free kick around the wall on the right corner of the box and low inside the post to make it 4-1 for Richmond.

The game was far from over, as in the final minutes Jeffrey Fleming pulled a goal back for Green Gully who then had Lubo Lapsansky sent off for remonstrating with the referee. Then, in the ninety-fourth minute the away side was awarded a penalty which Andy Vargas converted to make it 4-3 before the final whistle blew. Richmond ended up making heavy weather of a game they should have won a little easier, but in the end secured just their third win of the season to end a lengthy stay at the foot of the table and actually climb out of the relegation places.

By Mark Boric

Man of the Match
Brendan Beni
(Richmond)

Phil Stubbins
Coach, Richmond Eagles

I'm thrilled we've got the three points to move us off the bottom of the ladder. I felt the boys certainly earned their win with a very good performance. Although, having said that it was a good lesson for us that the game is not over until it's over...we've still got a few things to work and improve on, but I'm pleased we scored four goals from the opportunities we created.

Prediction

I think for Australia to get through they need to be a little bit more defensively binding. If they fall behind they'll struggle to get back into the game. It could go either way and Australia shouldn't fear anyone. They shown from the matches up to date they can mix it with anyone.

Andrew Marth
Coach, Green Gully:

Unavailable for comment

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VODAFONE CUP

Round 17



ROYALS TACKLE MAGIC AS LEAGUE RESUMES



Essendon Royals vs Altona Magic



Essendon have the chance to steal a lead on the relegation mire, and keep an unlikely finals dream alive when they meet powerhouse Altona on Monday night. The Magic will arrive at the Veneto Club with three points on their mind, needing to keep pace with the top 3 on the Vodafone Cup ladder.

In the hours before Australia do battle with Italy in the World Cup, anyone watching the game from home would be well served getting down to Bulleen to whet their football appetite. And although the contest may not be at world standard, two Essendon players, Steve Fitzsimmons and Henry Fa'arodo, battled the Socceroos on their way through Oceania qualifying. Some of the contests so far in round 17 have failed to shake the cobwebs of a midseason break, however the inspiration these players will take from being on Australia's undercard, makes for a passionate

contest.

On the pitch Altona went into the season break in top form, being the first side to defeat Kingston at Grange Reserve, then taking a draw from another tough road trip to BT Connor against Preston. Attacking midfield appears the most evident area for selection battle, Tomi Razov available after suspension, and young recruit Igor Arsovski showing flashes on brilliance in his first season with the club. Given Veneto Club is only Essendon's pseudo home ground, the big question will be whether Magic coach Ken Murphy sets out a more defensive stall and tries to hit the Royals on the counter, or take the game to their opposition. With striker Sash Becvinovski defying the odds of mature age and scoring goals with regularity, the veteran striker (who will no doubt don the signature gloves on what promises to be a chilly

night) is the danger man.

Essendon's form going into the midseason break has not been as promising, consecutive losses to the Knights and Sunshine suggest that their current standing in the bottom 4 won't improve unless a clear change in performance emerges after the break. Essendon more than any side needs to hit the Vodafone Cup hard on its resumption, rather than drop points shaking off the sleepy eyes of World Cup late nights. Fail to win here, and South Melbourne at Bob Jane in Round 18 could continue a battle against relegation right to the bitter end, rather than safety, and a pot shot at an unlikely final 6 berth.

By Teo Pellizzerri



David Winton
Coach, Essendon Royals:

We're confident we can go into this match and put in a far better and spirited performance than our last two games. We need to show we can perform a bit better than recently. We're looking forward to getting back out there and show what we can do.

Prediction

With their never say die attitude and spirit I think Australia is the sort of team that can beat Italy.

Ken Murphy,
Coach, Altona Magic

We've got a full squad to pick from and everybody is fresh and ready to go. The boys are all switched on and we're going to go all out attack after watching the World Cup! Essendon are always are for it. They're a hard working side and a difficult side to play against, so we'll have to work pretty hard.

Prediction

I think it will be difficult for Australia. Italy is one of the most technical sides in the world and know how to grind out a result. I think they're a bit more advanced in that department than Australia. 1-0 to Italy, but I'm crossing my fingers I'm wrong.

MONDAY MATCH STATS

	ER	AM
Recent form HOME	L-L-D-W	L-D-W-L
Recent form AWAY	L-W-L-D	D-W-D-D

Next info is based on last 50 matches

Home win	43%	45%
Home draw	29%	27%
Home lost	29%	27%
Home goals	1.33 PM	1.55 PM
Away win	24%	35%
Away draw	29%	55%
Away lost	48%	10%
Away goals	1 PM	1.35 PM

Past matches

Feb 25, 2006 VPL Altona Essendon 3 - 2
May 28, 2005 VPL Altona Essendon 1 - 2
Feb 07, 2005 VPL Essendon Altona 1 - 0

PM= Per Match

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STATE LEAGUES



Seniors

NORTH WEST 2

Reserves

Williamstown 6 (J Groba, A Girotopoulos, B Pajic 2) Westvale 3 (H Timotheou, A Vatzakis 2) (HT: 3-1), Maribymong Greens 0 Keilor Park 0 (HT: 0-0), Yarraville Glory 2 (R Dinse 2) Lalor United 1 (R Mitrovski) (HT: 1-1), Pascoe Vale 2 (M Maljanek, P Ferrante) Thomastown Devils 1 (C Gonullu) (HT: 2-0), Banyule City 0 Moreland City 0 (HT: 0-0), Westgate Altona City (HT: -)

Williamstown 1 Westvale 2, Maribymong Greens 1 Keilor Park 4, Yarraville Glory 0 Lalor United 2, Pascoe Vale 0 Thomastown Devils 0, Banyule City 0 Moreland City 6, Westgate Altona City

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Westgate FC	11	8	1	2	25	12	25	
Pascoe Vale SC	12	7	3	2	19	7	24	
Lalor United SC	12	7	2	3	17	10	23	
Altona City SC	11	7	2	2	13	8	23	
Keilor Park SC	12	6	4	2	18	14	22	
Williamstown SC	12	6	1	5	20	13	19	
Yarraville Glory FC	12	3	6	3	9	15	15	
Maribymong Greens SC	12	3	6	1	19	12		
Thomastown Devils SC	12	2	5	5	11	15	11	
Banyule City SC	12	2	3	7	18	23	9	
Westvale SC	12	2	1	9	17	33	7	
Moreland City SC	12	1	3	8	7	16	6	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Moreland City SC	12	7	5	0	31	11	28	
Keilor Park SC	12	6	5	1	27	12	23	
Pascoe Vale SC	12	6	4	2	17	13	22	
Lalor United SC	12	6	3	3	24	20	21	
Thomastown Devils SC	12	5	5	2	18	14	20	
Westvale SC	11	5	2	4	19	22	17	
Altona City SC	10	4	3	3	17	10	15	
Maribymong Greens SC	12	4	3	5	21	25	15	
Yarraville Glory FC	12	3	2	7	11	24	11	
Westgate FC	11	2	3	6	14	18	9	
Williamstown SC	12	1	4	7	20	27	7	
Banyule City SC	12	1	1	10	11	34	4	

Seniors

SOUTH EAST 2

Reserves

Doncaster Rovers 1 (M Chiaravalle) Stonnington City 1 (P Liapis) (HT: 0-1), South Springvale 3 (C Kapralos 2, E Vouroukakis) Knox City 2 (M Mohammadi, D Humphreys) (HT: 0-0), Waverley Wanderers 1 (M Panaghis) Eastern Lions SC 1 (HT: 1-0), Cranbourne Comets 2 (C Bell 2) Chelsea 1 (P Filipovic) (HT: 1-0), Clifton Hill United 1 (R Enes) Diamond Valley United 3 (C Kara, B Love, S Murat) (HT: 0-2), Clayton 4 (D Schulberg, K Alwan, J Stolioudis, J Ash) Southern Stars 1 (J Damiano) (HT: 0-0)

Doncaster Rovers 3 Stonnington City 0, South Springvale 4 Knox City 0, Waverley Wanderers 0 Eastern Lions SC 0, Cranbourne Comets 5 Chelsea 4, Clifton Hill United 0 Diamond Valley United 2, Clayton 5 Southern Stars 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Cranbourne Comets SC	12	8	1	3	17	6	25	
Waverley Wanderers SC	12	7	4	1	15	5	25	
Southern Stars FC	12	8	1	3	16	10	25	
Diamond Valley United SC	12	7	3	2	21	10	24	
Doncaster Rovers SC	12	5	4	3	21	11	19	
South Springvale SC	12	5	4	3	18	13	19	
Clifton Hill United SC	12	5	2	5	17	21	17	
Chelsea SC	12	4	4	4	14	15	16	
Knox City SC	12	3	2	7	15	19	11	
Stonnington City SC	12	2	3	7	6	13	9	
Eastern Lions SC	12	2	2	8	13	24	8	
Clayton SC	12	1	0	11	10	36	3	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Stonnington City SC	11	10	1	0	30	12	31	
Doncaster Rovers SC	11	8	1	2	46	16	25	
Chelsea SC	12	8	1	3	42	26	25	
Knox City SC	12	7	1	4	26	23	22	
South Springvale SC	12	6	3	3	33	20	21	
Diamond Valley United SC	12	5	3	4	18	16	18	
Eastern Lions SC	12	4	3	5	21	22	15	
Cranbourne Comets SC	12	4	3	5	21	29	15	
Clayton SC	12	4	0	8	22	40	12	
Clifton Hill United SC	12	2	1	9	15	29	7	
Waverley Wanderers SC	12	0	5	7	16	36	5	
Southern Stars FC	12	1	2	9	19	40	5	

ROUND 13 FIXTURES

State 2 NW
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Moreland City v Pascoe Vale
Campbell Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Thomastown Devils v Yarraville
Glory Epping Soccer Stadium
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Lalor United v Maribymong Greens
HR Uren Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Keilor Park v Williamstown Keilor
Park Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Altona City v Banyule City
HC Kim Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Westvale v Westgate
McKechnie Reserve

State 2 SE
30 Jun 06 8:30PM Doncaster Rovers v Waverley
Wanderers Anderson Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Southern Stars v Clifton Hill United
Ross Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Diamond Valley United v Cran-
bourne Comets Partington Flats
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Chelsea v Stonnington City
HD Thomas Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Knox City v Clayton
Egan Lee Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Eastern Lions SC v South Spring-
vale Gardiners Creek Reserve

State 3 NW
1 Jul 06 3:00PM North Sunshine Eagles v Geelong
Rangers Larissa Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Sydenham Park v Albion Rovers
Keilor Lodge Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Lalor v Ballarat Soccer Club
RGC Cook Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Werribee City v Western Eagles
Galvin Park Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Geelong v Sunbury United
Stead Park Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM La Trobe University v Corio
Latrobe Uni Lower Playing Field

State 3 SE
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Endeavour United v Sandringham
City Reema Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Mooroolbark v Fitzroy City
Esther Park Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Monbulk v Morwell Pegasus
Monbulk Recreation Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Heatherton United v Frankston
Strikers Parkfield Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Berwick City v Nunawading City
Jack Thomas Reserve
2 Jul 06 3:00PM North Caulfield v Templestowe
Eagles Caulfield Park

Provi 1 NW
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Glenroy v Darebin United
Strathnaver Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Hume United v Melbourne City
Laura Douglas Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Elwood City v Hoppers Crossing
Elwood Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Avondale Heights v Mill Park
Doyle Street Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Brimbank v Plenty Valley Lions
Italo-Australian Social Club
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Laverton Park v Melbourne Uni-
versity Rangers Laverton Park Reserve

Provi 1 SE
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Doveton v Riversdale SC
Waratah Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM White Star Dandenong v Brand-
on Park Greaves Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Southern Suburbs v Carrum United
Keeley Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Noble Park United v Rowville
Eagles Noble Park Secondary College
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Croydon City Arrows v Warragul
United Dorset Recreational Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Monash University v Springvale City
Vale Monash University Sports Oval

Provi 2 NW
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Brimbank City v Northern Falcons
Arthur Beachley Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM South Yarra v Moreland United
Faulkner Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Melbourne Tornado v West Preston
Newmarket Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Collingwood City v Broadmeadows
United Kevin Bartlett Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Whittlesea United v North City Lions
Thomastown East Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Northern United v Uni. Of Mel-
bourne Blues Anderson Reserve

Provi 2 SE
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Keysborough v Old Xaverians
Coomoora Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Seaford United v Scotch Old Boys
North Seaford Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Lyndale United v Beaumaris
Lyndale Secondary College
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Noble Park v Ashburton
Norman Luth Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Old Trinity Grammarians v Old Mel-
burnians Trinity Sports Ground
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Mitcham United v Berwick Kings
Terrara Park

Provi 3 NW
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Watsonia Heights v Reservoir Uni-
ed Gabonia Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Epping City v Keon Park
Duffy Street Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Melton v Youth United
MacPhersons Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Light United v Hallam
Calabria Club
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Moreland Wolves v Meadow Park
Rayner Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Bell Park v Ascot Vale
Bell Park Sports Club

Provi 3 SE
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Old Carey v Dandenong City
Carey Sports Complex (Wilcox Field)
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Eltham North v Dandenong War-
riors Cedar Avenue (off Wattletree Road)
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Mornington v Old Brighton Gram-
marians Dallas Brooks Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Old Camberwell Grammar v Bo-
rondara Lions Deepdene Park
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Endeavour Hills v Caulfield United
Power Reserve
1 Jul 06 3:00PM Dandenong Sparrows v Ringwood
City Fotheringham Reserve

Seniors

NORTH WEST 3

Reserves

Corio 1 (V Kalogeracos) Geelong 2 (D Nelson, P Stojevski) (HT: 1-2), Western Eagles 0 La Trobe University 0 (HT: 0-0), Lalor 0 Werribee City 2 (J Grimaud, K Kalayci) (HT: 0-1), Albion Rovers 6 (E Koc, S Niyazi, E Osman, O Fehmi 2, A Akin) Ballarat Soccer Club 0 (HT: 2-0), Geelong Rangers 1 (L Dolo) Sydenham Park 4 (G Petrovski 3, S Najdovski) (HT: 1-1), Sunbury United 1 North Sunshine Eagles 0 (HT: 1-0)

Corio 1 Geelong 1, Western Eagles 0 La Trobe Uni-
versity 0, Lalor 0 Werribee City 0, Albion Rovers 3 Ballarat
Soccer Club 5, Geelong Rangers 1 Sydenham Park 0,
Sunbury United 9 North Sunshine Eagles 2

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Werribee City SC	12	11	1	0	29	2	34	
Sunbury United SC	12	10	1	1	27	8	31	
Albion Rovers SC	12	5	4	3	30	17	19	
Corio SC	12	5	2	5	18	18	17	
La Trobe University SC	12	5	2	5	24	25	17	
Geelong Rangers SC	12	5	1	6	20	20	16	
Sydenham Park SC	12	5	1	6	20	26	16	
Geelong SC	12	4	2	6	20	21	14	
Lalor SC	12	4	2	6	16	20	14	
Ballarat Soccer Club	12	3	4	5	14	23	7	
North Sunshine Eagles SC	12	2	1	9	14	32	7	
Western Eagles SC	12	2	1	9	5	26	7	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Lalor SC	12	8	3	1	29	8	27	
Sunbury United SC	12	9	0	3	30	12	27	
Ballarat Soccer Club	12	8	0	4	32	20	24	
La Trobe University SC	12	6	3	3	26	17	21	
Geelong Rangers SC	12	6	3	3	26	20	21	
Geelong SC	12	5	3	4	19	17	18	
Albion Rovers SC	12	5	2	5	18	22	17	
Corio SC	11	4	4	3	20	21	16	
Sydenham Park SC	11	3	1	7	11	21	10	
North Sunshine Eagles SC	11	2	1	8	14	30	7	
Werribee City SC	12	2	1	9	11	32	7	
Western Eagles SC	11	1	1	9	5	21	4	

Seniors

SOUTH EAST 3

Reserves

Nunawading City 1 (F Osel-Ntim) Heatherton United 2 (J Pekmezovic) (HT: 0-0), Morwell Pegasus 3 (F Albanese 2, D Cairns) Berwick City 2 (S Mur 2) (HT: 1-1), Fitzroy City 3 (D Jovic, N Veljovic) Monbulk 3 (C Davie, N Eagle, J Rand) (HT: 2-2), Sandringham City 1 (J Gaynor) Mooroolbark 2 (B Adams, B Roper) (HT: 0-1), Templestowe Eagles 2 (E Santone, M Gulino) Endeavour United 1 (T Illhier) (HT: 2-1), Frankston Strikers North Caulfield (HT: -)

Nunawading City 1 Heatherton United 2, Morwell Pega-
sus 0 Berwick City 0, Fitzroy City 1 Monbulk 3, Sandring-
ham City 3 Mooroolbark 2, Templestowe Eagles 3 En-
deavour United 0, Frankston Strikers North Caulfield

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Heatherton United SC	12	9	1	2	28	13	28	
Sandringham City SC	12	8	2	2	28	19	26	
North Caulfield SC	11	7	3	1	22	12	24	
Mooroolbark SC	12	5	5	2	25	17	20	
Templestowe Eagles SC	12	6	2	4	21	20	20	
Berwick City SC	12	4	4	4	24	18	16	
Endeavour United SC	12	5	1	6	20	27	16	
Fitzroy City SC	12	3	5	4	25	22	14	
Morwell Pegasus SC	11	2	5	5	19	27	11	
Frankston Strikers	11	2	2	7	11	27	8	
Nunawading City SC	12	1	3	8	16	28	6	
Monbulk SC	12	1	3	8	16	28	6	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
North Caulfield SC	11	8	1	2	41	10	25	
Sandringham City SC	12	7	1	4	39	24	22	
Mooroolbark SC	12	6	3	3	28	18	21	
Heatherton United SC	12	6	3	3	17	21	21	
Berwick City SC	12	6	1	5	33	18	19	
Nunawading City SC	11	5	3	3	21	18	18	
Monbulk SC	12	5	3	4	22	20	18	
Morwell Pegasus SC	12	4	5	3	28	26	17	
Templestowe Eagles SC	12	5	1	6	22	29	16	
Endeavour United SC	11	4	1	6	19	28	13	
Fitzroy City SC	12	3	0	9	17	42	9	
Frankston Strikers	11	0	1	11	4	46	0	

Seniors

PROVI 1 NORTH WEST

Reserves

Melbourne University Rangers 4 (G Karantzias, H Wootton, A Griffith 2) Brimbank 0 (HT: 3-0), Mill Park 0 Laver-
ton Park 5 (J Sobarzo 4, F Cisternas) (HT: 0-3), Hoppers
Crossing 2 (R Nedelkov 2) Avondale Heights 3 (M Jancic
2, R Cuzzilla) (HT: 2-0), Melbourne City 2 (H Nunez 2)
Elwood City 1 (G D'Amico) (HT: 2-0), Glenroy 0 Hume
United 0 (HT: 0-0), Plenty Valley Lions 2 (D Petkovski, B
Boskovski) Darebin United 1 (J Zivovs) (HT: 2-1)

Melbourne University Rangers 3 Brimbank 1, Mill Park 2
Laver-ton Park 6, Hoppers Crossing 6 Avondale Heights
1, Melbourne City 1 Elwood City 3, Glenroy 1 Hume Uni-
ted 2, Plenty Valley Lions 12 Darebin United 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Plenty Valley Lions FC	12	9	2	1	22	7	29	
Melbourne University Ranger	12	7	3	2	24	10	24	
Laverton Park SC	12	7	3	2	30	22	24	
Avondale Heights SC	11	6	3	2	18	13	21	
Hume United SC	11	5	4	2	25	11	19	
Glenroy SC	12	5	4	3	20	15	19	
Hoppers Crossing SC	12	5	3	4	33	24	18	
Darebin United SC	12	4	4	4	18	16	16	
Elwood City SC	12	4	2	6	23	20	14	
Melbourne City SC	12	3	1	8	21	29	10	
Mill Park SC	12	1	0	11	7	50	3	
Brimbank SC	12	0	1	11	10	4	1	



STATE LEAGUE ONE

Round 12



This weekend sees the start of the run home as Round 12 brings the start of the second phase of the season and the reverse fixtures from Round 1. This is where teams will have had a look at their first half of the season and re-evaluated their goals and positions and in some cases will be fighting for a shot at promotion, while others are digging their claws in for survival.

Friday night saw the first game of the round, which took place at the Port Melbourne Shark's home ground, Anderson Reserve, where the home side was beaten 2-0 by the high flying Springvale White Eagles. The goals for the White eagles were scored in each side of the half time break by Gordan Mrdic and Nebojsa Vukosavljevic. This is yet another solid performance by the White Eagles who loom large as a threat to the top two spots and in my eyes are the only team which could challenge North Geelong for top spot and should comfortably finish within the top two.

Saturday turned out to be the day of the underdog as a few of the fancied teams were rolled over by some of the middle to lower teams and one team finally showed a glimpse of its capability.

The first game finally saw the Dandenong Thunder put in a half decent performance underlining the real talent that does exist within its squad as they welcomed East Altona to George Andrews reserve and proceeded to put a fair old beating on their visitors. In the end defeating them by a score of 5-1. The lone scorer for the Phoenix was Jone Dimoski with a goal in the second half when the game was long beyond their grasp. For the home side it was a brace of goals by Neil Wallace along with goals by Jamie McMinimee, Paul Wilson and Mentor Memeti. This would have been a welcome return of form for the Thunder and hopefully for them a platform can be created from the confidence this will generate as for the Phoenix they are in some dire straits down there and if things don't pick up and with other teams around them scoring a result here and there they could well be in trouble.

The second game saw the plucky but as yet under-achieving Bentleigh Greens make the journey to the



Action between
Brunswick City and
Bentleigh Greens

Dunstan reserve to take on the high flying Brunswick City side brimming with confidence and fully expecting a result against the visitors. What transpired was an inspirational performance by the men in Green which culminated in a winning goal by Ben Coggar to give the Greens all three points, points which will prove crucial to them in their quest to avoid the bottom three spots. This will hurt Brunswick as it will allow the sides above them to just steal a small break on them.

The rounds biggest upset came down in Lara as league leader and championship favorite North Geelong welcomed the St Albans Saints to Elcho Park. The plucky Saints repelled the Warriors in the first half and then with goals by Daniel Gecic and Mario Medugorac took all three points back with them up the princess freeway to St Albans. This shows one thing and that's that the saints have a fighting spirit and will give every team a game. While a setback for the North Geelong outfit and it will put a dent in their charge towards promotion it may well be a wake up call that they will look back on and the thing that set them up for the rest of the season. All credit on the day must go to the Saints though.

Sunday's game saw a goal-less stalemate between the North Coburg United team and the visiting Western Suburbs outfit in an entertaining game, which had chances but in which neither team was able to make the decisive break. A draw isn't the worst result for either side but it may hurt Suburbs quest at the top of

the league, while this draw underlines the improvement of the North Coburg side after their awful start to the season. I think it's onwards and upwards for the lads at the Reddish Reserve.

The other game saw Northcote City and Langwarrin fight out a one all draw down at John Caine in a result which will please the Northcote coaching staff and probably disappoint the Langwarrin staff. Goals from Michael La Macchia for Northcote and the ever prolific Caleb Nichols for Langwarrin ensured a share of the points for both sides.

Looking at the ladder after the completion of this round St Albans have snuck under everyone's radar because of results and sit second but it has to be noted that North Geelong do have a game in hand but this is an excellent situation for the saints to be in. The Thunder's big win has lifted them out of the bottom two at the expense of the team they beat in Altona East and unless things change I can't see Altona East getting out of the bottom two. Northcote needs more then draws to get themselves off the bottom spot.

End of round twelve the big winners were the White Eagles who now have a four point gap on the top spot from St Albans and Western Suburbs who equal on points.

By Reuben Schembri

ROUND THIRTEEN FIXTURES

SPRINGVALE WHITE EAGLES V

LANGWARRIN

Serbian Sports Centre,
Keysborough Mel: 94 G7
Friday 30th June
KO 8.30PM

NORTHCOTE CITY V

NTH GEELONG WARRIORS

John Cain Memorial Park,
Thornbury
Sunday 2nd July
KO 3pm

ALTONA EAST PHOENIX V

PORT MELBOURNE

Paisley Park Reserve,
Altona Mel: 55 C5
Sunday 2nd July
KO 3PM

ST ALBANS SAINTS V

NTH COBURG UTD

Churchill Reserve,
St Albans Mel: 14 D10
Sunday 2nd July
KO 3pm

BENTLEIGH GREENS V

DANDENONG THUNDER

Kingston Heath Soccer Complex,
Cheltenham, MEL: 87 F2
Sunday 2nd July
KO 3pm

WESTERN SUBURBS V

BRUNSWICK CITY

Ralph Reserve,
Ardeer MEL: 40 A2
Sunday 2nd July
KO 3pm



STATE ONE SENIORS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Springvale White Eagles SC	12	7	3	2	16	11	24	
St. Albans Saints SC	12	5	5	2	15	9	20	
Western Suburbs SC	12	5	5	2	12	10	20	
North Geelong Warriors SC	11	5	4	2	25	16	19	
Langwarrin SC	12	4	6	2	19	12	18	
Brunswick City SC	12	5	3	4	22	23	18	
North Coburg United SC	11	3	4	4	17	12	13	
Bentleigh Greens SC	12	3	4	5	15	16	13	
Port Melbourne Sharks SC	12	3	4	5	16	20	13	
Dandenong Thunder SC	12	3	2	7	13	22	11	
Altona East Phoenix SC	12	2	5	5	7	16	11	
Northcote City SC	12	2	3	7	10	20	9	

Port Melbourne 0
Springvale White Eagles 2
(G Mrdic, N Vukosavljevic)
(HT: 0-1),

Dandenong Thunder 5
(P Wilson, N Wallace 2, J McMinimee, M Memeti) Altona East
Phoenix 1 (J Dimoski) (HT: 3-0),
Brunswick City 0

Bentleigh Greens 1
(B Cogger) (HT: 0-1),

North Geelong Warriors 0
St. Albans Saints 2
(M Medugorac, D Gecic)
(HT: 0-0),

North Coburg United 0
Western Suburbs 0
(HT: 0-0),

Northcote City 1
(M La Macchia)
Langwarrin 1 (C Nicholes) (HT:
1-1)

STATE ONE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Western Suburbs SC	12	9	1	2	30	12	28	
Springvale White Eagles SC	12	8	3	1	31	15	27	
Langwarrin SC	11	6	4	1	29	16	22	
Dandenong Thunder SC	12	7	0	5	26	14	21	
Brunswick City SC	11	6	3	2	25	18	21	
Northcote City SC	11	5	2	4	22	19	17	
Bentleigh Greens SC	12	4	3	5	22	24	15	
Port Melbourne Sharks SC	11	3	1	7	19	26	10	
St. Albans Saints SC	11	3	1	7	13	27	10	
North Geelong Warriors SC	11	2	2	7	15	26	8	
North Coburg United SC	10	2	1	7	12	29	7	
Altona East Phoenix SC	12	1	3	8	10	28	6	

Port Melbourne 1
Springvale Eagles 2,

Dandenong Thunder 3
Altona East Phoenix 0,

Brunswick City 4
Bentleigh Greens 3,

North Geelong 0
St. Albans Saints 2,

North Coburg United 3
Western Suburbs 4,

Northcote City 1
Langwarrin 1

Monday 26 June



STATE LEAGUES



LATE FLURRY OF GOALS NOT ENOUGH FOR KNOX

South Springvale 3 Knox City 2
(Half-time 0-0)

A game that was drifting along to a scoreless draw came alight in the second half with five goals and heaps of controversy.

There was little to comment on in a tepid first half in which neither side created any clear-cut chances. Neither Tony Sango in the South's goal nor Mark Jorgensen for Knox were seriously troubled, even though both sides produced some neat football at times.

The second half looked like a replica of the first half for the first ten minutes or so. Then controversy struck in a big way. Knox was attacking and Vernon appeared to be clearly brought down in the area, only for the referee to wave play on. Souths countered down the right wing almost immediately and a great cross was met with a diving header from Kapralos to give Jorgensen no chance from close range. In the space of one minute the entire complexion of the game had changed.

Knox's defence went to pieces for the next 15 minutes and conceded two more goals. Kapralos got his second five minutes after the first when he was first to a left wing cross and his glancing header was perfectly placed into the corner of the net.

Ten minutes later, Voursoukis received a low cross seven metres out and he turned O'Connor beautifully before firing home.

Once again, Knox staged a belated come-back. With Sango claiming he was impeded, a left wing cross found its way to the far post where Humphreys stole in unmarked to reduce the deficit.

Shortly after, substitute Mohamadi gave Knox some hope of salvaging something when a cross-ball was only partially cleared and his first time shot beat gave Sango no chance at the near post.

Going man for man at the back, Knox lived dangerously in search of an equalizer but the home side was able to play out time without too many worries.

By Bruce Darnell

VALLEY'S CHARGE CONTINUES

Clifton Hill 1 Diamond Valley 3

Diamond Valley continued their merry way to a top 2 spot in the State League Division 2 SE with a 3-1 win over Clifton Hill.

Valley looked to be cruising to a comfortable win leading 2-0 at the interval but lost a lot of its momentum for a large part of the second half and it took until the 78th min. before it netted its third.

Valley opened brightly through Marco Santille and Ernie Simsek. The first goal came after 11mins. when Santille took a corner on the right. He found Sefgi Mu-

rat at the far post and he headed the ball down to Cihan Kara who netted from 12 metres. Valley continued to push forward and gave Peter Katris, Frank Drakopoulos and Paul Donnelly plenty of work.

Valley's pressure paid off when Ben Love headed its second goal after a good build up from Santille, Simsek and Alan Cameron.

Clifton Hill fought hard to get back in the game with Tony Toutzaris and Milan Sajic showing the way. Rob Enes came off the bench after 30mins. and added some composure to the midfield. The home side suffered a blow when Toutzaris got his marching orders for dissent.

Valley were really on fire and 'Hill goalie Peter Sprekos worked overtime as he thwarted scoring attempts from Cameron, Santille and Mark Court in quick succession, to keep the half-time score at 2-0.

The second half began with the Hillmen taking the game right up to the Valley. Valley seemed to ease off and George Toontas urged his team forward. Romanovski and Pope responded and on the hour mark got their reward when Enes scored from the penalty spot after Pope was brought down.

Valley plugged away but too often their last pass let them down. It wasn't until 12mins. from time before Court and Cameron strung passes together to put Murat through for the clincher.

Valley reserves had a 2-0 win with Goksi Guler and Brendan Mulcahey scoring the goals.

Next week Valley entertain fellow promotion challengers, Cranbourne Comets at Partington Flats.

By Gordon Kirkwood

GREENER PASTURES AHEAD FOR BENTLEIGH AFTER GOOD AWAY WIN

Brunswick City 0
Bentleigh Greens 1

Bentleigh recorded an excellent away win to revive their hopes for the second half of the season. Under new coach Vlado Vanis the visitors took it up to Brunswick playing an attacking brand of soccer a deservedly came away with the points. It must also be said that lady luck did smile on the Greek Cypriot club as Brunswick did rattle the woodwork on two separate occasions.

The deciding goal of the game came very early in the game when in the 8' a seemingly harmless left foot cross was spilt by Manny Pappas as it came off the greasy surface. Ben Cogger was on hand for Bentleigh to tap in what was a very opportunistic goal making it 0-1. Brunswick attempted to lift the tempo of the game but were well foiled by the Bentleigh defence ably lead by Theo Constantinou.

It was Bentleigh that still looked the more dangerous on the counter and were unlucky not to score their second in the 15' when Pappas made amends for his earlier mishap with a brilliant save from point blank range. In the 24' Bentleigh were again unlucky as a cheeky chip over Pappas just went over the crossbar. Five minutes later at the opposite end Brunswick were short of luck as Con Vouloumanos saw Coles of his line and attempt to chip him. The well executed chip



Action between Brunswick City and Bentleigh Greens

beat Coles but hit the crossbar on its way down denying Brunswick the equaliser. The next good chance of the half fell to Zach (34') from a corner but his header was sent just over the horizontal.

The second half saw a more determined Brunswick come out and really apply some pressure to the Bentleigh defence. Brunswick did everything but score hitting the crossbar twice and had what appeared a clear penalty ruled against them. In their pursuit to find the equaliser they at time overcommitted and could have gone further behind. In the 54' Brunswick got caught square at the back but the Bentleigh striker could not hit the target. In the 59' Paul Galea's half volley beat Coles all ends up but again rattled of the crossbar.

The game continued at a frenetic pace and Bentleigh's in ability to hit the target kept Brunswick well in the game. Again in the 64' a deep back post cross found a myriad of Bentleigh player waiting to connect but when the shot was taken it was off target. Paul Galea, arguably Brunswick's best player on the day, came agonisingly close in the 75' when he headed Zach's cross from the edge of the 18 yard box and found Coles in no man's land.

Unfortunately for Brunswick his header was just wide of the target. Teenager James Sherman could again have been the hero in the dying minutes of the game (83') as he latched on to Franklin's corner kick but his header too was sent over the crossbar.

The final whistle could not come soon enough for the visitors as they walked away with the three points in what Vanis would agree was a very satisfying result. For the Brunswick lads an improved performance will be needed to take on the might of Western Suburbs next Sunday who have made a host of personnel changes to their corresponding fixture earlier in round two.

Score: Brunswick City 0 Bentleigh Greens 1

Goalscorers: Cogger, Ben (8') - Bentleigh

Best: Galea, Zach, J.Vouloumanos, Jackson

Line up: Pappas, Zach, J.Vouloumanos, Tsimiklis (A.Franklin 76'), Jackson, Sherman, Karkaletsis, Galea, C.Vouloumanos, Greechan, Stafrace

Reserves: Bentleigh Greens almost stole the unwinnable game as they were well behind earlier in the game and given a reprieve from the Brunswick team to stage a remarkable 4-3 result in Brunswick's favour.

The first half saw Brunswick completely dominate the game with goals to Sarpa (40') and Karavitis (42'). In the second half Brunswick continued to dominate early and scored again through Priftakis (56'). As has been the case for the last couple of weeks the team sat back and rested on its laurels.

The midfield and defence become less accountable and allowed their opposition to get back in the game. Bentleigh scored in the 61' to make it 3-1. In the 73' a free kick by Karavitis hit the post beating the keeper and Sarpa was on hand to tuck away the rebound.

To their credit Bentleigh pressed forward throwing an extra man forward and were duly rewarded in the 74' with a goal from a good run from midfield. It appeared that the visitors would not only equalise but could score a winner when only a minute later a pile driver from 25 yards beat Kosmopoulos all ends up making it 4-3.

Brunswick appeared to get a grip of the game again and held out to secure a very shaky 4-3 win. The second half lapses are very concerning to coach, Loui Simopoulos, and must be addressed immediately.

Best: Sarpa, Karalis, Karavitis, Malara, Chicciti

By Elisa Simopoulos

THIRDS AND MASTERS LEAGUES

THIRDS SOUTH

Southern Suburbs 0 Berwick City 7, Riversdale 2 White Star Dandenong 1, Doveton 1 Springvale City 1, Dandenong Thunder 7 Sandringham City 2, South Eastern United 8 Carrum Utd 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Doveton SC	9	8	1	0	30	6	25	
Dandenong Thunder SC	9	8	0	1	51	14	24	
Springvale City SC	9	7	1	1	36	27	22	
Berwick City SC	9	5	1	3	32	7	16	
Sandringham City SC	8	4	1	3	31	20	13	
Southern Suburbs SC	9	3	0	6	28	32	9	
South Eastern United	8	2	1	5	25	34	7	
White Star Dandenong SC	9	2	1	6	30	45	7	
Riversdale	8	1	0	7	7	20	3	
Carrum Utd	8	0	0	8	10	75	0	

THIRDS SOUTH EAST

La Trobe University 2 3 Croydon City 2, Richmond Rangers 4 Caulfield Grammarians 2 1, Old Xaverians 4 Clayton 1, RMIT Redbacks 2 4 Brighton 4, Old Melbourne 3 Mooroolbark 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Brighton SC	9	7	1	1	49	15	22	
Mooroolbark SC	9	7	0	2	44	14	21	
Old Melbourne SC	9	6	1	2	30	16	19	
Richmond Rangers SC	9	6	0	3	22	25	18	
Clayton SC	9	4	1	4	22	27	13	
La Trobe University 2	9	3	2	4	23	23	11	
Croydon City	9	3	0	6	22	30	9	
RMIT Redbacks 2	9	2	2	5	21	25	8	
Caulfield Grammarians 2	9	2	1	6	13	32	7	
Old Xaverians SC	9	1	0	8	15	54	3	

THIRDS EAST

Monash Uni 2 Doncaster Rovers 7, Boroondara Lions 0 Waverley Wanderers 4, South Yarra 3 Mitcham Utd 0, Old Trinity Grammarians 1 Central Park Rangers 3, Ashburton Oakleigh Cannons

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Waverley Wanderers SC	9	8	1	0	53	6	25	
South Yarra SC	9	6	0	3	22	24	18	
Doncaster Rovers SC	8	5	2	1	35	11	17	
Oakleigh Cannons SC	7	5	1	1	35	13	16	
Ashburton SC	8	5	0	3	21	17	15	
Mitcham Utd	8	2	2	4	10	23	8	
Boroondara Lions FC	8	2	1	5	14	22	7	
Central Park Rangers SC	9	2	1	6	17	34	7	
Monash Uni	9	2	1	6	8	42	7	
Old Trinity Grammarians SC	9	0	1	8	7	30	1	

THIRDS NORTH

University Of Melbourne 3 Thornbury Utd 2, Watsonia Heights 2 Moreland Utd 8, Preston Lions Moreland City, Reservoir Strikers 1 La Trobe University 1, Bye Brunswick City

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Moreland Utd	8	6	2	0	36	11	20	
La Trobe University SC	8	6	2	0	33	10	20	
Reservoir Strikers SC	8	6	1	1	38	15	19	
Moreland City SC	7	4	1	2	23	15	13	
Brunswick City SC	8	3	1	4	11	16	10	
Watsonia Heights SC	8	2	1	5	12	29	7	
University Of Melbourne	8	2	1	5	12	32	7	
Preston Lions SC	7	1	0	6	6	30	3	
Thornbury Utd	8	0	1	7	7	20	1	
Moreland Wolves	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

THIRDS NORTH WEST

Melbourne University Rangers 0 Altona City 5, Westvale 0 Hoppers Crossing 1, Westgate Care Park 6 Avondale Heights 1, Meadow Park 0 Essendon Utd 3, Reservoir Strikers 2 0 Brunswick Zebras 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Altona City SC	9	7	2	0	33	15	23	
Westgate Care Park SC	9	6	2	1	32	10	20	
Hoppers Crossing SC	9	5	0	4	30	23	15	
Brunswick Zebras JSC	9	3	4	2	24	18	13	
Reservoir Strikers 2	9	3	4	2	23	19	13	
Essendon United SC	8	4	1	3	16	15	13	
Melbourne University Ranger	9	3	2	4	15	25	11	
Westvale SC	9	2	0	7	13	34	6	
Avondale Heights SC	8	1	2	5	13	28	5	
Meadow Park SC	9	1	1	7	8	20	4	

THIRDS METRO

Boroondara Lions Collingwood City, Melbourne University Rangers 3 Whittlesea United 3, Clifton Hill Utd 0 Juventus Old Boys 3, Melbourne Lions 4 Old Camberwell Grammar 1, Monash University 5 St Kevins Old Boys 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Juventus Old Boys SC	8	7	1	0	34	7	22	
Clifton Hill Utd	9	6	1	2	36	16	19	
Melbourne Lions	9	6	0	3	28	20	18	
Old Camberwell Grammar	8	5	1	2	20	13	16	
Melbourne University Ranger	9	4	2	3	18	13	14	
Collingwood City SC	8	4	1	3	18	23	13	
Monash University SC	9	2	1	6	17	18	7	
St Kevins Old Boys	9	2	0	7	29	30	6	
Whittlesea United SC	8	1	1	6	10	38	4	
Boroondara Lions FC	7	1	0	6	3	35	3	

THIRDS CENTRAL

Caulfield Grammarians 1 Collingwood City 3, Central Park AC Malvern 2 Elwood City 1, RMIT Redbacks 0 Moreland City Reds 1, Monash University 2 St Kevin's Old Boys 1, University Of Melbourne North

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Monash University SC	9	7	0	2	19	8	21	
Collingwood City SC	9	6	1	2	27	10	19	
Caulfield Grammarians SC	9	5	2	2	24	14	17	
St Kevin's Old Boys	9	4	3	2	16	15	15	
Central Park AC Malvern SC	9	3	4	2	15	12	13	
Elwood City SC	9	3	2	4	13	17	11	
RMIT Redbacks SC	9	3	2	4	11	19	11	
Moreland City Reds	9	3	0	6	16	9	9	
North Caulfield SC	8	2	0	6	17	25	6	
University Of Melbourne	8	1	0	7	10	22	3	

MASTERS SOUTH EAST

Beaumaris Blues 2 Brighton 1, BYE Ringwood City, Monash University 1 Doveton 6, BYE Juventus Old Boys 45, Glen Waverley 0 Endeavour Hills 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Doveton SC	7	6	0	1	28	10	18	
Endeavour Hills SC	7	5	1	1	22	8	16	
Ringwood City	7	4	2	1	18	9	14	
Beaumaris Blues	7	4	1	2	18	10	13	
Monash University	7	4	0	3	16	18	12	
Glen Waverley	7	2	0	5	15	17	6	
Brighton SC	7	1	0	6	7	27	3	
BYE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
BYE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Juventus Old Boys 45	7	0	0	7	5	30	0	

MASTERS NORTH WEST

Heidelberg Utd Black Bye, Hume Utd Bye, Youth Utd 1 Laverton Park 5, Sunshine Blues 12 Werribee City 2, North Coburg Utd Melbourne Lions

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Sunshine Blues	7	7	0	0	55	5	21	
Hume Utd	7	5	0	2	30	16	15	
Heidelberg Utd Black	7	5	0	2	27	23	15	
Laverton Park	7	4	0	3	21	23	12	
North Coburg Utd	6	3	0	3	21	16	9	
Werribee City	7	1	1	5	16	37	4	
Youth Utd	7	1	0	6	19	36	3	
Melbourne Lions	6	0	1	5	6	39	1	
BYE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

MASTERS CENTRAL

Juventus Old Boys "35" Bye, South Yarra Bye, Ashburton 0 Beaumaris Whites 4, Uni Of Melbourne Bohemians 0 North Caulfield 7, Doncaster Rovers Collingwood City

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus Old Boys "35"	7	6	0	1	41	13	18
South Yarra SC	7	6	0	1	23	7	18
Collingwood City	6	4	1	1	30	8	13
Doncaster Rovers SC	6	3	1	2	20	11	10
Beaumaris Whites	7	3	1	3	18	20	10
North Caulfield SC	6	1	1	4	14	24	4
Uni Of Melbourne Bohemian	7	1	0	6	11	37	3
Ashburton SC	6	0	0	6	7	44	0



KEWELL SAVOURS THE MOMENT



Australian goalscoring heroes Harry Kewell and Craig Moore looked like men who had just won the FIFA World Cup after sending the Socceroos through to the Round of 16 with their 2-2 draw against Croatia.

Full of pride and excitement, the pair gave exclusive interviews to FIFAworldcup.com as the dust settled on Australia's qualification from Group F. They tried to sum up their intense feelings after a night of true drama in Stuttgart, when the Aussies trailed twice but got the point they needed.

Kewell said: "On a personal level, it's just unbelievable, but it's not really about a personal thing.

I enjoyed it for a split second, but it's a team performance. That goal I scored wasn't only for myself, it was for the whole team and the nation. The fans have supported us so much from day one. The crowd at the game was just superb and they are our 12th man."

For Kewell, the disappointments of sustaining groin injuries in the 2005 UEFA Champions League final and 2006 FA Cup final with Liverpool were not forgotten, but the sense of redemption was palpable as he paid tribute to the people who helped him back on the road to recovery and rescued his dream of playing in the FIFA World Cup.

"I have been in a few big games and through no fault of my own I've ended up limping out," he said. "It just goes to show that if you work hard you can come back. I have to give a big thanks to the medical staff of Australia and Liverpool. They've put up with me complaining about the same injury for two years and I must have done their heads in, but they have all stuck by me. The respect they give me is fantastic and without them, I wouldn't be here."

Kewell's all-important second equaliser came minutes after being twice denied by Croatia goalkeeper Stipe Pletikosa and he said: "You just have to keep going. If you don't try, you don't get and usually one out of ten will go in for you! Even at 2-1 down, you don't let thoughts of losing come into your mind. The substitutes that came on changed the game for us, they worked their socks off. It's perfect for the Australian team to have guys like that coming on and creating chances for us."

Penalty taker Craig Moore, holding a mobile phone

buzzing with an incessant stream of congratulatory text messages, told FIFAworldcup.com: "It's a very special evening for us. We did it the hard way again, coming from behind, but that sums up our 'never say die' attitude. We kept on battling away and in the end the chances came to us to get the result we needed."

"It was a dream to take the penalty and score. You just keep your focus 100 per cent on the ball and hitting the back of the net. It doesn't matter how it goes in. It's not scary because that's a great position to be in. You can be a hero and if you miss, well... the best players in the world miss penalties. Unique feeling

"It was an unbelievable adrenaline rush when it went in, like nothing I've ever experienced before," Moore continued. "It was an important goal for the team as well to get us back in the game. The thought of being beaten doesn't seem to cross this team's minds. We managed to come back in the Japan game and against Croatia. We just don't know when to give up but it would be nice to be in a posi-



tion where we get a goal ahead in the game."

With Italy up next in Kaiserslautern on Monday, Kewell beamed from ear to ear as he looked forward to the prospect. "It's going to be fantastic," he said. "We weren't even supposed to get this far. A lot of people wrote us off, but we were quietly confident and we don't fear anybody. We lost against the world's best when we played Brazil, but we've got nothing to be ashamed of."

"Against Italy we've got to out there and play our football and not worry about the opposition. It's the first time our nation have qualified past this stage, so we are going to go out and enjoy it."

Courtesy of FIFA

PARREIRA WEARY OF GHANA



Ghana could cause five-times champions Brazil all sorts of problems in their FIFA World Cup™ second round clash on Monday admitted Brazilian coach Carlos Alberto Parreira on Saturday.

The 63-year-old said he expected the Ghanaians to come out all guns blazing as they had nothing to lose having already done superbly to reach the last 16 beating UEFA EURO 2004 semi-finalists Czech Republic and 2002 FIFA World Cup quarter-finalists the United States in the group stage.

"You would do well to remember their pedigree," said Parreira, who coached the 'Black Stars' in 1968.

"Ghana like Cameroon and Nigeria are outstanding teams.

"They have talented players and they are not as naive as they were.

"Their players play all over Europe, and they have lost their innocence.

"We hope to maintain our unbeaten record against African teams but we have to respect Ghana.

"There may be no Michael Essien (he is suspended), but there is Stephen Appiah.

"They (Ghana) are good, and they have nothing to lose.

"They are playing against the five-time world champions and one of the favourites for this title.

"They will shoot on sight. They will be aggressive and we have to work out how to pass the ball around under those circumstances," added Parreira, who is in his third spell as Brazil coach and landed the 1994 FIFA World Cup in his second try at the job.

Parreira, who revised his decision never to coach the national side again after taking a load of personal abuse following the 1994 finals, denied that there was any friction between himself and barrel-chested Inter Milan striker Adriano, who was rumoured to be unhappy at not playing in the final group match against Japan.

"No, I don't find that he is depressed," said Parreira, who has also coached Kuwait and Saudi Arabia at the FIFA World Cup finals.

"Adriano (who scored in the 2-0 win over Australia) has trained well and in any case there is no reason to be depressed because you have not played in one match.

"The coach does what he feels best is for the team. There are 23 players in the squad and none of them should feel depressed."



Second Round Ins And Outs



COLOGNE- Switzerland full-back Philippe Senderos will miss the remainder of the World Cup after suffering a dislocated shoulder in his side's 2-0 victory over Korea Republic on Friday.

Senderos, who received a cut to the face while scoring Switzerland's opener in the first half, fell awkwardly early in the second half the game and had to be replaced by Arsenal teammate Johan Djourou.

Rudolf Röder, the Swiss team doctor, said that it is a possibility that the player could require surgery, but will at least be out for the next two weeks having done a bit of damage to ligaments.

Djourou will likely be in the starting line-up when the Swiss battle Ukraine in their Round of 16 match on Monday.

DUISBURG- Veteran Italy defender Alessandro Nesta has been ruled out of the Round of 16 matchup with Australia after the AC Milan full-back suffered a thigh injury against the Czech Republic.

The 30-year-old had to come off early in the game and was replaced by Marco Materazzi, who will likely start in his place when the Azzurri take the pitch against the Socceroos in Kaiserslautern on Monday.

It is unclear what Nesta's availability will be should Italy advance further in the tournament as the injury has been bugging Nesta since April. Materazzi scored against the Czechs after coming in as a sub.

BERGISCHE GLADBACH- After suffering a thigh injury in a training session on Saturday, electric striker Robinho will likely be unavailable for selection when Brazil take on Ghana in the Round of 16 on Tuesday. The 23-year-old Real Madrid forward started in Brazil's 4-1 victory over Japan, giving starting striker Adriano a rest. Adriano will start up front with Ronaldo in the game, with Fred likely to be first-choice striker off of the bench.

Robinho has played in all three games so far, and was impressive in all of them as his pace and skill baffled even the best defenders his opponents could throw at him.

Brazil coach Carlos Alberto Parreira was cautiously optimistic about Robinho's fitness saying, "Not even the doctor can know right now ... we have to cross our fingers."



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Key players:

Francesco Totti, Alessandro Nesta, Christian Vieri.

World Cup record and best finish:

16th appearance; champion (1934, 1938, 1982).

Last appearance: Second round 2002.

How qualified: Won European Group 5

ITALIA



Three time winners of the World Cup, the Italians enter their second round fixture against the Socceroos full of confidence. While circumspect performances in the first round have so far raised doubts over the Italians' credentials for World Cup glory, the 'Azzurri' are notoriously slow starters in major competitions and will no doubt lift the quality and intensity of their play now the tournament has reached its knockout stages.

There are many eerie similarities between this year's edition of the Italians, when compared to the team which last won a major trophy back in 1982. At the time, Italian football was recovering from a major match fixing scandal which claimed the scalps of national giants, AC Milan and Lazio, in much similar fashion to the current scandal which has rocked Italy. Also, prior to that tournament, Italy drew to Switzerland 1-1, in a rather dubious performance, a result

which was replicated weeks prior to this year's tournament.

However, before people begin referring to these omens with trepidation, one must remember that Guus Hiddink was the man who spectacularly manufactured the demise of the side at the last World Cup, and the generally superstitious Italian media are wary of what they call the 'Hiddink hex'.

Since that tournament, Italian football, both domestically and internationally has been in a steady decline and many blame this occurrence on the brilliance of Hiddink, whom is widely respected and held in high regard by the Italian footballing public.

Nonetheless, if the Italians are to come away from their encounter against the Socceroos, the so-called 'comeback kings' of the tournament, with a necessary victory and prove their worth to an Italian public which has lost faith in their national team, they must find inspiration through visionary midfielder Andrea Pirlo and the much-maligned Francesco Totti.

Capable of distributing the ball exquisitely around the park, Pirlo is able to commence attacks from deep, utilising his passing to create openings for the Italians' powerful and clinical attackers. It has been bandied about that the reason former AC Milan comrade Andriy Shevchenko is valued so highly in the transfer market is because of the superb openings Pirlo creates for the Ukrainian.

So far the Italians' only shining beacon at the tournament, a strong showing by Pirlo is vital to the side's chances of progression.

Though, with Brett Emerton, the man who in all likelihood would have tagged Totti had he not been suspended, absent from the Socceroos line-up, the team's Roman talisman may be the decisive factor in what will be a torrid and hard-fought affair.

Whether he is hated or loved, it is generally accepted that Totti is the best modern day player

in Italian football. While he is able to score goals, Totti possesses the artistic quality to produce and manufacture scoring opportunities for his team-mates.

Playing in the hole just behind the attackers, the time is nigh for the golden boy of Italian football to produce a performance of the highest order in the blue shirt of his native homeland. And unfortunately for the Australians, after a six year wait and two disastrous tournaments now well behind him, Tuesday morning's encounter may well see his re-emergence as an international superstar.

If these two stars can shine and help exploit the Socceroos' lack of big game experience, the Italians may well be the team who bundle Australia out of the tournament.

By Simon Chiarelli



SQUAD

- 1 BUFFON Gianluigi (GK)
- 2 ZACCARDO Cristian
- 3 GROSSO Fabio
- 4 DE ROSSI Daniele
- 5 CANNAVARO Fabio
- 6 BARZAGLI Andrea
- 7 DEL PIERO Alessandro
- 8 GATTUSO Gennaro
- 9 TONI Luca
- 10 TOTTI Francesco
- 11 GILARDINO Alberto
- 12 PERUZZI Angelo (GK)
- 13 NESTA Alessandro
- 14 AMELIA Marco (GK)
- 15 IAQUINTA Vincenzo
- 16 CAMORANESI Mauro
- 17 BARONE Simone
- 18 INZAGHI Filippo
- 19 ZAMBROTTA Gianluca
- 20 PERROTTA Simone
- 21 PIRLO Andrea
- 22 ODDO Massimo
- 23 MATERAZZI Marco

WORLD CUP

ON ROUND

KAISERSLAUTEN



AUSTRALIA (42)

Coach: Guus Hiddink.

Key players:

Mark Viduka, Harry Kewell.

World Cup record and best finish:

Second appearance; first round (1974).

Last appearance:

First round 1974.

How qualified:

Beat Uruguay in play-off.



AUSTRALIA



SQUAD

- 1 SCHWARZER Mark (GK)
- 2 NEILL Lucas
- 3 MOORE Craig
- 4 CAHILL Tim
- 5 CULINA Jason
- 6 POPOVIC Tony*
- 7 EMERTON Brett
- 8 SKOKO Josip
- 9 VIDUKA Mark
- 10 KEWELL Harry
- 11 LAZARIDIS Stan
- 12 COVIC Ante (GK)
- 13 GRELLA Vince
- 14 CHIPPERFIELD Scott
- 15 ALOISI John
- 16 BEAUCHAMP Michael
- 17 THOMPSON Archie
- 18 KALAC Zeljko (GK)
- 19 KENNEDY Joshua
- 20 WILKSHIRE Luke
- 21 STERJOVSKI Mile
- 22 MILLIGAN Mark
- 23 BRESCIANO Marco

THERE is a real possibility that history can repeat itself for Guus Hiddink when his Socceroos take on the might of Italy on Monday night.

It's not out of the realm of possibility that the Socceroos can knock out the Azzuri in the round-of-16, a feat the Hiddink-led South Korea carried out at the same stage of the 2002 World Cup.

For the Aussie's to topple the Italians they will need to call upon that renowned Aussie spirit that has been so evident in the group stage.

No matter how dire the situation looked against Japan and Croatia the Socceroos refused to surrender, culminating in the Roos scoring four of their five goals after the 78th minute mark.

Determination and persistence has been the cornerstone of Australia's advancement to the second stage, and if they were to topple Italy, you can guarantee that those qualities would have been in abundance.

Prior to cup, there was doubt whether the Socceroos had the ability to score multiple goals; it has always been the Aussie mentality to attack and score goals, but the finishing in front of the posts usually never matched that desire.

Although those fears have been put to one side after watching then Japan and Croatia, for Australia to beat Italy they need to nail those scoring opportunities when they present themselves.

Look at the numbers in their group matches against Japan and Croatia where the Socceroos had eight and six more scoring attempts respectively.

Yet in both matches, they have conceded the opening goal and have been forced to play catch up - it has been revealed out of 270 minutes of game time, Australia has only led their opponent for only three of them.

They escaped twice, but were not so fortunate against Brazil.

The Socceroos equaled the amount of shots on

target against the No.1 nation, yet still lost 2-0. Concede first to a quality side such as Brazil or Italy and you are already facing a steep mountain to remain in the contest.

The first task for the Aussies: get the first goal. Sounds obvious, but Australia will be in for a torrid time if they have to chase the game against the more fancied Italians, a side that have only forfeited one goal so far.

The task is made a little easier with defender Alessandro Nesta being ruled out through injury.

A lot has also been made of the Socceroos lopsided foul-count, and rest assured that is not going to change against Italy.

Although the perception of Australia as a dirty team is false the referee's have fallen victim to that perception, therefore the Italian's will milk it for what it's worth.

The slightest contact will have the jell-legged Azzuri sprawling to the ground and withering in agony as if they've just been sandwiched by Anthony Rocco and Barry Hall.

The Australian's will give away plenty of free kicks, but it's imperative that not too many are granted around the penalty area.

The absence of Brett Emerton through suspension will force a major restructuring of Australia's defence and it will be interesting to see what defensive line Hiddink will go in order to nullify the attacking threat of Alberto Gilardino and Luca Toni as well as the roaming Francesco Totti.

Expect Hiddink to settle on a back three of Lucas Neill, Craig Moore and Scott Chipperfield, with Vince Grella sweeping in front of the trio. Grella will be given the task of keeping an eye on either Totti or Andrea Pirlo.

To limit the loss of Emerton, Marco Bresciano should start for Australia and tuck into the right of midfield.

The best way to negate the Italian defence is to make use the flanks on either side of the

pitch and try to go around and over the defence.

That's where Bresciano on the right and Kewell on the left can become hazardous for the Italians.

Kewell was sensation against Brazil and Croatia with his darting runs while Bresciano's crosses into the Croatian box were too hot to handle.

With both Kewell and Bresciano in the line-up this could mean Tim Cahill begins the match on the bench as the threesome have yet to be named in the same starting line-up together.

This could mean Skoko can get his first cap at the Cup. He can also provide extra midfield cover and this could be useful considering Emerton's absence to the side.

Jason Culina and Mile Sterjovski will remain in the starting line-up and Mark Viduka will be the lone man up front.

Duelling with Fabio Cannavaro, let's just hope that Viduka isn't unfairly penalised.

One selection change you can bet on is Mark Schwarzer replacing Zeljko Kalac.

By Chris Vernuccio



MAXI SENDS ARGENTINA INTO THE QUARTER FINALS



LEIPZIG- A brilliant goal by Maxi Rodríguez in the 98th minute gave Argentina a thrilling 2-1 extra-time victory over a valiant Mexico side in Leipzig on Saturday, sending Argentina through to the quarter-finals. Right out of the starting gate, Mexico went on the attack and they nearly had the lead when a Jared Borgetti header from a corner kick was deflected just over top of the goal.

0-1 Rafael Márquez 6th minute

But four minutes later, the Mexicans would be rewarded for their attacking start as Pavel Pardo's free kick from the right was deflected toward captain Rafael Márquez at the far post, and he hit it into the roof of the net for a 1-0 lead.

1-1 Hernán Crespo 10th minute

However, Argentina very rapidly found an equalizer as Crespo beat Borgetti to a corner kick at the near post, and the ball ricocheted into the net over a helpless Oswaldo Sánchez.

Crespo then nearly gave Argentina the lead in the 23rd minute when he beat the offside trap of Mexico to end up alone with the goalkeeper, but his attempted chip just went wide of the far post.

Borgetti then took a shot at a 2-1 lead two minutes later as he turned on a shot 25 yards out from goal, but Roberto Abbondanzieri was on hand to make a sprawling save.



Mexican keeper Sanchez was helpless against Rodriguez's awesome strike

Late on in the half, Mexico went on the attack trying to take the lead into the dressing room, but the closest they came was when substitute Gerardo Torrado, who replaced an injured Pardo, fired high from 30 yards.

There was a bit of controversy as the first half entered stoppage time when Gabriel Heinze committed a horrible giveaway and then a horrible foul on Francisco Fonseca, earning a booking, but the Mexican players pleaded that it should have been red for Heinze being the last defender.

Early on in the second half, Borgetti could have given Mexico the lead when a perfectly-weighted ball from Ramón Morales picked out the striker at the far post, but his shot was stopped well on a great instinctive

save by Abbondanzieri.

In the 57th minute, Maxi Rodríguez made a bid to give Argentina the lead when Riquelme hit a free kick from the right that found the midfielder on the left side of the area, but his shot bounced before being knocked over for a corner kick by Sánchez.

Two minutes later, Crespo could have made it 2-1 when Riquelme neatly played him in on goal, but a charging Sánchez made the save on his shot after cutting down the shooting angle.

The match then resorted to possession, and Argentina eventually brought on young striker Carlos Tévez to inject some life into the attack, and in the 79th minute he brilliantly worked his way into space in the area, winning a corner that amounted to nothing.

After Argentina then brought on birthday boy Lionel Messi, Zinha made a dashing run down the center of the pitch in the 86th minute, but he played it through for Borgetti, who went down looking for a penalty to no avail.

Seconds later, a nice cross from the left by Gonzalo Pineda for Mexico found Fonseca in the center of the area, but his header skipped wide.

In the second minute of added time, Messi thought he had given Argentina a dramatic victory after being fed the ball by substitute Pablo Aimar, but the linesman dubiously ruled Aimar offside and the goal was disallowed, sending the teams to extra time.

EXTRA TIME

2-1 Maxi Rodríguez 98th minute

A wonderful pass by Sorin from the left found Rodríguez on the edge of the area. Maxi chested the ball down beautifully and hit a cracking, looping shot into the far left corner for perhaps the goal of the tournament, a shot that left Sánchez with absolutely no

chance.

At this point, Mexico could have used a substitution to bring a striker like Omar Bravo or Guillermo Franco into the game, but they had already used all three, including the first-half sub for the injured Pardo.

In the 107th minute, Zinha nearly took advantage of a giveaway by Lionel Scaloni, but the Brazilian-born midfielder fired his shot just wide of the goal.

Ten minutes later, Borgetti won a glancing header in the area after right-corner cross by Osorio, but it went wide and so went Mexico's hopes of staying alive in the World Cup.

Argentina now move on to face Germany in the quarter-finals, while Mexico fall at the first hurdle in the knockout rounds for a record fourth straight World Cup.

By Stephen Sharpe



Argentinian forward Maxi Rodriguez celebrates after scoring the winning goal

Germany Too Strong For Swedes

Podolski and Klose celebrate after ripping apart the Swedish defence



MUNICH- Two early goals from Lukas Podolski sent Germany on to the quarter-finals of the World Cup on Saturday as the host nation ousted Sweden 2-0 in front of a partisan crowd in Munich.

1-0 Lukas Podolski 4th minute

It started very fast for the Germans as Podolski slid in a pass for the run of Miroslav Klose, but after Sweden goalkeeper Andreas Isaksson saved at the feet of Klose, the ball came back out for Podolski to fire into a vacated net.

Three minutes later, Podolski nearly had a second goal as he hit a screaming shot from 20 yards out, but the ball sailed just high of the crossbar. Podolski would get his reward just five minutes later, however.

2-0 Lukas Podolski 12th minute

Klose took the ball toward the center and Podolski made an overlapping run to his right. The Werder Bremen striker then played a nice reverse ball to Podolski who fired from just inside the area into the net with Isaksson helpless to stop it.

Michael Ballack, who was frustrated for the entire game by Isaksson, took a stinging shot from 25 yards out in the 18th minute as the Germans looked to make it 3-0, but the Rennes backstop made a diving save.

Not too long after that, Bernd Schneider took an attempt from distance, but his shot across goal just went

across the face of the goalpost and wide.

On the half-hour, Klose had a shot from close range just saved at the last gasp by an alert Isaksson, but the Swedes were soon at an even bigger disadvantage when Teddy Lucic earned his second booking of the first half and was sent off in the 35th minute.

Five minutes later, Sweden finally created a good scoring chance as Zlatan Ibrahimovic did well to control a ball off his chest, but his shot on the the swivel was pushed around the post by an insecure Jens Lehmann.

Three minutes later, Lehmann failed to properly deal with a cross from the left by Henrik Larsson, and Matthias Jonson would have scored had Philipp Lahm not cleared off the line.

Just before the break, Isaksson again produced a top-notch save as Klose sought out his fifth goal of the tournament, but it was saved after being goalbound.

Early in the second half, Sweden were thrown a lifeline when they won a penalty after Larsson was brought down in the area by Christoph Metzelder, but the veteran striker sent his shot a mile high of the goal.

Ballack's frustrations then began in earnest in the 55th minute as he hit a blistering effort from distance that Isaksson just barely got a fingertip to, and four minutes later Ballack fired just high.

As the match began to wind down, the Germans began holding a lot more and never made many forays into the penalty area, settling for shots from deep, but Ballack could have had a goal with nine minutes to play, but again Isaksson made a point-blank save.

Bernd Schneider then hit the post and Oliver Neuville was denied by Isaksson late on as Germany would celebrate rightly their dominance in the game.

They now move on to the last eight where they will face the winner between Argentina and Mexico.

Golden Boot race heats up in Elimination Round



THE ROAD TO GOLD: As if having one leading contender for the adidas Golden Shoe was not enough, Germany now have two. After Miroslav Klose's two-goal exploits against Ecuador, today was the turn of his forward partner Lukas Podolski who propelled Germany into the quarter-finals by netting both goals in the 2-0 defeat of Sweden.

Unlike Klose, Podolski took his time finding his range in this FIFA World Cup™ but after getting his first goal of the finals against Ecuador, the 21-year-old needed no invitation to make his mark against the Swedes in Munich, striking twice inside 12 minutes to establish a winning platform for his team.

Podolski's pair leaves him with three goals in

four matches and in joint-second place in the Golden Shoe standings, just one behind his colleague Klose. Those who cling to the old stereotype of dour, efficient German football will have to rethink as they see two strikers from the Mannschaft trade blows in the fight for the scorers' prize.

"They don't play like a typical German side," said Sweden captain Olof Mellberg after an impressive attacking display from Jurgen Klinsman's men. And the irony of today's performance was that it was Klose who helped Podolski close the gap at the top.

The senior member of the partnership set up both goals: for the first, it was his shot that Andreas Isaksson parried into Podolski's path; for the second, his cute pass sent Podolski on his way. Afterwards, Klose had kind words for his teammate: "He showed today just how important he is when he's fit and believes in himself." Tellingly, if these two keep up their shared pursuit of the Golden Shoe, they could well take Germany to another, more coveted piece of gold.

Klose's competition does not come solely from within his own camp, of course and he will come up against two other challengers in the hosts' quarter-final showdown with Argentina, the day's other winning team. Both Hernan Crespo and Maxi Rodríguez moved level with Podolski and Fernando Torres after recording their third goals of these finals against Mexico.

Rodríguez's rocket followed his earlier double against Serbia and Montenegro – and will be an outstanding candidate for the best of the lot come July.



The race for the Golden Boot is heating up with the elimination finals kicking off



BOO'S WORLD

A satirical look at the World of Football according to Mark Boric



Britain's Best, Graham Poll: He used to be undecided but now he's just not sure. Maybe a stint at Olympic Village will sort him out

Zeljko Kalac is as shaky in the Australian goal as Ronaldo is when he goes into his regular World Cup Finals convulsions. After conceding the second goal against Croatia, he said he was looking for a hole to hide in. Had the Aussies not gone through there would have been no shortage of blokes willing to dig him one, at least six feet deep.

Graham Poll? For the dole. Is that really the same referee who does English Premier League matches? Who was touted to referee the final? Sepp Blatter was fuming, apparently Poll's punishment will be having to referee the remainder of Heidelberg United's home games this season.

There have been big crowds at Federa-

tion Square watching games, nearly as many people as there are in the queue at Victoria's first Krispy Kreme donut outlet.

Just a few weeks after his big transfer to Darebin United, Peter Psarros has moved on to Doveton in Provisional One South East. He scored on debut against Warragul, which may be a selling point for his agent Burim Sulemani who is currently in Brussels trying to get him a deal with a Belgian club.

Sam Newman was in the news again after throwing a jab when spat on at a Soccerroos supporters function in Munich last week. He didn't go to any Red Light Districts to film Street Talk, so we didn't get to see if his mate Rex Hunt was in Germany with

him.

What would an Aussie bandwagon be without John Howard climbing aboard? He was pictured watching the game in his tracksuit, as if ready to come on and help the lads if required.

Suppose he needs someone to be proud of after the cricket team lost him The Ashes.

Word is that some FFV hierarchy are in Germany for the World Cup. Shouldn't they be at Fed Square fining people for lighting flares? Are they attempting to sell the FFV Football Show to Eurosport?

Until next week,

Watch the offside! (possibly Harry Kewell's goal)



Boo's fan of the week
Who needs cowbells with fans like these. If only Richmond games were like that

A QUESTION OF SPORT

1. How many times has Italy won the World Cup?
2. Which 40 year old 'keeper was its captain when Italy triumphed in Spain '82?
3. Name the two famous Serie A teams that hail from Milan?
4. To its passionate supporters what is the Italian national team also affectionately known as?
5. Who is their coach?
6. True or false? When Italy famously lost 1-0 to Nth Korea and were eliminated early from the 1966 tournament, the squad was met by upset fans at Rome airport awaiting to throw rotten tomatoes at them.
7. Alessandro Del Piero plays for which Serie A club?
8. In Italy, the Serie A championship is also known as the....??
9. Shortly after returning from a 2 year ban for his involvement in a "fixing" scandal, which player won the Golden Boot on the road to Italian World Cup success in Spain '82?
10. Which legend missed his penalty kick to hand Brazil the Final in USA '94??



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FOOTBALL FUNNIES

Zeljko Kalac is so distraught after his latest blunder that he decides to end it all. He walks straight out of the stadium and throws himself down in front of a number 9 bus. Luckily, it passes under him.

Q: How many Manchester Utd. fans does it take to change a light bulb?
A: Three. One to change the bulb, one to buy the "1997 lightbulb changing" commemorative T-shirt and video, and one to drive the other two back to Torquay.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Three (1934, 1938 and 1982)
2. Dino Zoff
3. AC Milan and Inter Milan
4. The Azzurri
5. Marcello Lippi
6. True
7. Juventus
8. The Scudetto
9. Paolo Rossi
10. Roberto Baggio

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WOMEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE

Round 13



Round 14 of the Vodafone Women's Premier League kicked off with the much anticipated Match of the Round at Wembley Park between second-placed Box Hill Inter, and third-placed Heidelberg United. Inter was coming off its first loss of the season, to Ashburton the previous week, while United had strung together three wins on the trot after its only loss of the season – also to Ashburton. Two goals in each half gave Inter a comfortable 4-0 victory which sees it draw five points clear of United and two points behind Ashburton, who has played two more games. Bendigo Vipers hosted Sandringham at the Strathfieldsaye Sports Complex on Saturday. Bendigo had the better of the sides' Round 3

clash when it prevailed 2-1 to inflict Sandringham's first defeat of the season, but could not repeat the dose on home turf, as the visitors held on for a 1-1 draw. Sandringham remains fourth and the Vipers seventh.

Eltham North missed a chance to haul itself clear of relegation danger when it went down 1-0 at home to Preston Lions on Saturday. Sarah Lovett's second half goal was enough to seal victory for the visitors, and avenged the Lions' 2-1 defeat in the reverse fixture earlier in the season. Preston remains ninth, but importantly now holds a five point buffer over Eltham in tenth. Another side at the wrong end of the table is South Melbourne, which hosted Keilor Park at Bob Jane Stadium on Sunday. South's defence,

which has conceded 52 goals in 13 matches, has been its Achilles heel all season. The Lakesiders were 1-0 down at half time, but a rampant Keilor Park exposed their defensive frailties once more with five second half goals to run out comfortable 6-0 winners. Melanie Camilleri scored five as Keilor posted its seventh win of the season to stay in touch with Cranbourne and Sandringham just above it in the finals positions.

Brimbank recorded only its second point of the season when it drew 1-1 with Eastern Lions at Gardiners Creek Reserve. Melanie Zerafa gave Brimbank a first half lead, but the Lions equalised through Nicole Pacillo in the second half to deny the visitors their first win this year. The Lions remain eighth, and look out of finals contention at this stage, while Brimbank, rooted at the bottom and seven points from safety, still has a mountain to climb if it is to avoid relegation.

It was first against fifth to round out the action on Sunday, as Cranbourne travelled to Ashburton to take on the new league leaders. Ashburton took the honours with a 1-0 win over the Comets earlier in the year, and was on a high after its first ever victory over Box Hill the previous week. First half goals to Andrea Totsidis and Annabelle Gibney gave the home side a 2-1 lead at half time, but a Rachel Lamb strike 10 minutes into the second half earned the Comets a draw. Cranbourne stays one point behind Sandringham in fifth, while Ashburton continue to lead the way at the top.

By George Egonidis



ROUND FIFTEEN FIXTURES

**BRIMBANK
V**

ELTHAM NORTH

Italo-Australian Social Club,

Sunshine Nth Mel: 26 E6

Saturday 17th June,

KO 2.30PM

**SANDRINGHAM
V**

EASTERN LIONS

Spring Street Oval,

Hampton Mel: 77 A12

Saturday 1st July

KO 3PM

**SOUTH MELBOURNE
V**

BENDIGO VIPERS

Bob Jane Stadium,

Albert Park Mel: 2K F6

Saturday 1st July

KO 3pm

**KEILOR PARK
V**

BOX HILL INTER

Keilor Park Reserve,

Keilor Mel: 15 B5

Sunday 2nd July

KO 1pm

**HEIDELBERG UNITED
V**

CRANBOURNE COMETS

Olympic Village,

Heidelberg Heights, MEL: 19 D11

Sunday 18th June

KO 1pm

**ASHBURTON
V**

PRESTON LIONS

Ashburton Park,

Ashburton Mel: 60 F9

Sunday 2nd July

KO 3pm

Women's Premier League SENIORS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Ashburton	15	12	2	1	58	10	38	
Box Hill Inter	13	12	0	1	43	5	36	
Heidelberg United	13	10	1	2	57	15	31	
Sandringham	15	7	4	4	28	19	25	
Cranbourne Comets WSC	14	7	3	4	35	14	24	
Keilor Park WSC	13	7	1	5	44	31	22	
Bendigo Vipers WSC	13	6	1	6	26	24	19	
Eastern Lions	14	4	2	8	14	23	14	
Preston Lions	14	4	1	9	12	37	13	
Eltham North	14	2	2	10	8	35	8	
South Melbourne	14	2	1	11	14	58	7	
Brimbank WSC	14	0	2	12	4	72	2	

Box Hill Inter 4
(B Pacella, C Keogh, J Humble, A Sinclair)

Heidelberg United 0 (HT: 2-0),

Bendigo Vipers 1

(M Ruyter-Hooley)

Sandringham 1

(A Good) (HT: 1-1),

Eltham North 0

Preston Lions 1

(S Lovett) (HT: 0-0),

South Melbourne 0

Keilor Park 6

(M Camilleri 5, E Barilla) (HT: 0-1),

Eastern Lions 1

(N Pacillo)

Brimbank 1 (M Zerafa) (HT: 0-1),

Ashburton 2

(A Totsidis, A Gibney) Cranbourne

Comets 2

(R Lamb, S Fitzgerald) (HT: 2-1)

Women's Premier League RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	T
Ashburton	14	13	1	0	76	7	40	
Sandringham	14	13	0	1	78	7	39	
Bendigo Vipers WSC	12	8	1	3	46	14	25	
Cranbourne Comets WSC	14	8	1	5	30	19	25	
Keilor Park WSC	13	7	1	5	39	19	22	
Box Hill Inter	13	6	1	6	31	23	19	
Eltham North	12	5	3	4	28	23	18	
Heidelberg United	11	4	2	5	25	29	14	
Eastern Lions	13	4	2	7	20	26	14	
South Melbourne	14	1	3	10	17	41	6	
Preston Lions	13	1	1	11	7	58	4	
Brimbank WSC	13	0	0	13	21	33	0	

Box Hill Inter 7

Heidelberg United 0,

Bendigo Vipers 0

Sandringham 4,

Eltham North

Preston Lions ,

South Melbourne 1

Keilor Park 3,

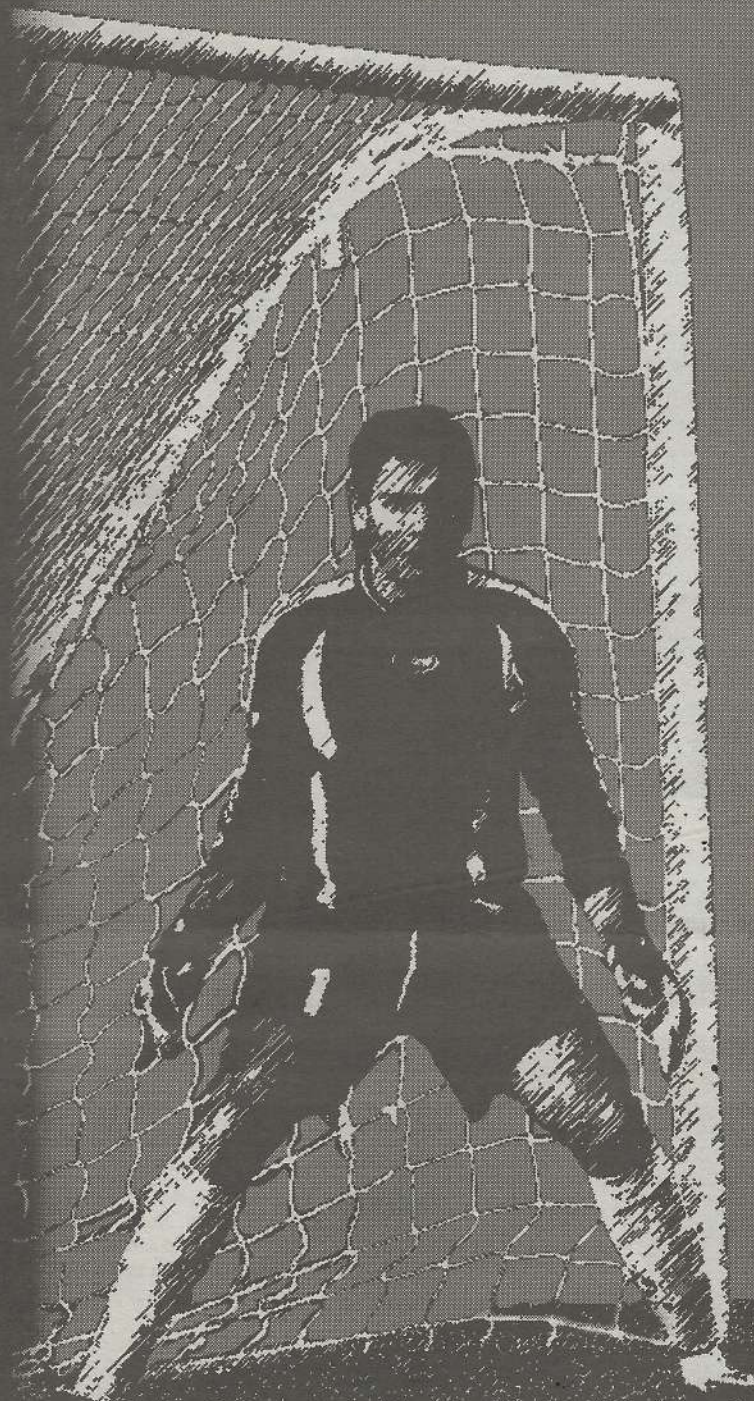
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Ashburton 5

Cranbourne Comets 1

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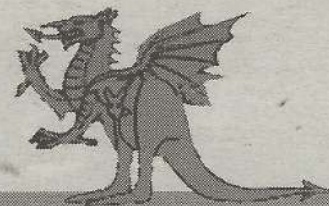
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Two week into my UK family holiday and the novelty of the three matches a day has shown no signs of wearing thin. Admittedly, I have not seen every game. 24 hours of flying time to Europe presented the first hurdle, but to my pleasant surprise Emirates, an official World Cup sponsor, showed the games, albeit a day late...

A stopover in Dubai, in the Middle East enabled us to see the first England game. The city, a mass construction site of activity, showed little sign of the World Cup fever. However at 5pm on Saturday a gathering of red shirted ex-pats filtered through the doors of the favourite local bars, as England took on Paraguay in their opening match.

The game was not the pretty goal fest that we had all hoped for, after the early South American own goal was conceded from David Beckham's free kick. However, England's first night nerves are not uncommon; in fact they have only won two opening games in their World Cup history.

Entering the UK we were overwhelmed by the amount of St George flags flying from every house, shop and car. The daily newspapers all have their daily World Cup specials, and with mixed reaction from the first game, the media had decided to produce endless articles of debate about whether Rooney would be fit and whether he would, should or could play.

In Cardiff, the Capital of Wales, we saw England versus Trinidad & Tobago. The local pub had 31 world flags hung over the bar, and while Welsh principles meant the English flag would not adorn a Welsh establishment, the red of St George was well represented by the

English supporters. The game itself was frustrating, and the 2-0 win didn't tell the story as England lacked shape and the strikers struggled against a poor team.

The next day the media turned on Michael Owen. He was obviously lacking sharpness and full match fitness and they debated whether he was or Peter Crouch should play alongside Rooney.

The Group B fixtures were completed with England's 2-2 draw with Sweden. The flawless defence was breached with two weak goals. So, with Owen injured and out of the tournament, the papers are now questioning Sven and his striker selection; one preferred super sub in Crouch, two unfit (including one now at home in the UK) and one untried player, who was not even tried in the last 3 games.

No one really expected England to shine, but it's too early yet and with, in theory, an easy second round opposition of Ecuador, the quarter finals look within sight.

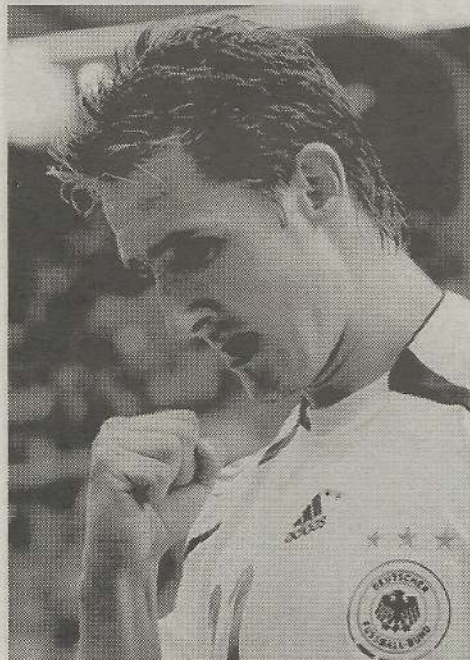
Meanwhile, one Spanish paper has taken an alternative approach, and have quoted that Nostradamus tipped Spain to win the World Cup. It quotes one of his prophecies as follows: "In the sixth month of 2006 the King of Spain will cross the Pyrenees with his troops. The legions of Beelzebub will battle him in central Europe and suffer doom and destruction. The Holy Grail will then come to Spain."

By Richard Sucksmith



The Spanish march on to the World Cup Holy Grail

OVERSEAS TRANSFER NEWS with George Egonidis



Klose's fine form has captured the attention of a number of clubs

There's nothing quite like the World Cup to put yourself squarely in the transfer shop window and one player whose performances have already drawn admiring glances from abroad is German striker Miroslav Klose. The Werder Bremen for-

ward has shot to the top of Sir Alex Ferguson's wanted list, while Germany teammate Jens Lehman is urging Arsenal to splash £15m on his compatriot. Klose's club, meanwhile, is insisting its star man is not for sale.

Michael Owen would prefer to forget his ill-fated World Cup campaign, as would his club, Newcastle, for whom the task of finding a new striker this summer has just become critical. £10m-rated Dutch striker Dirk Kuyt has emerged as one of Newcastle manager Glenn Roeder's top targets while the club is also said to be preparing to bid £12m for Charlton's Darren Bent. Outgoing Wigan striker Henri Camara is another possibility, as is Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink, who is out of contract at Middlesbrough, and also wanted by Celtic.

Upton Park is firming as the new home for disgruntled Fulham midfielder Steed Malbranque. The Hammers look to have beaten off competition from Manchester City, Newcastle and Middlesbrough - the latter this week pitching a swap deal involving left-back Franck Queudrue which was rejected by Fulham.

Liverpool and Chelsea are both sniffing around after Simao, whom Benfica value at £14m. The Portugal winger could be seen as a replacement at Stamford Bridge for Damien Duff, who is reportedly the subject of a £7m bid by Tottenham. Indeed Jose Mourinho's wingers are drawing attention far and wide, with Real Madrid set to offer Chelsea £13m for Dutchman Arjen Robben.



Trusty Aussie defender has got some interest from the Nou Camp

On the Australian front, the Sydney Morning Herald last week linked Blackburn's Brett Emerton with a move to fellow Premier League outfit Everton, where he would join Succeroo teammate Tim Cahill. Palermo are reportedly interested in prising Marco Bresciano away from Parma while Lucas Neill's standout performances at the heart of Australia's defence have impressed none other than Frank Rijkaard, who is keen to take him to Barcelona. Perhaps take that last one with an extra large grain of salt.

Manchester United's desperate search for a central midfielder has seen it increase its offer for Spurs

midfielder Michael Carrick to £14.2m and look into the availability of Villarreal's Spanish international Marcos Senna.

Everton and Newcastle have joined Monaco in showing initial interest in Joey Barton, whose value to Manchester City in the marketplace decreases by the month. None of those clubs have, however, tabled a firm bid and 23-year-old Barton may yet see out the remainder of his current deal with the Blues before possibly moving on a Bosman at the end of next season.

And in brief...

Arsenal is in the hunt for Sevilla and Argentina striker Javier Saviola, says the player's agent.

Fulham are lining up a shock move for veteran French World Cup star Lilian Thuram of Juventus.

West Ham will raise its bid for Charlton and England defender Luke Young from £3.5m to £4m.

Spurs will complete the £6m signing of Ivory Coast midfielder Didier Zokora this week.

Wigan has offered West Brom £10m for Curtis Davies, Zoltan Gera and Nathan Ellington and Crystal Palace £3m for defender "One Size" Fitz Hall.

Big spending Portsmouth has been linked at various times this week with Sol Campbell, Nuno Gomes and Steaua Bucharest's £7m defender Mirel Radoi. Nicholas Anelka, meanwhile, has rebuffed the club's approaches.

Reading is resigned to losing star midfielder Steve Sidwell, who is stalling over a new deal - Charlton and Manchester City are his most likely destinations for around £2m.

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What a week it's been in Football!

At long last, the Socceroos have shown some imagination on the World Stage and actually gone out and played some attacking football. Ever since I can remember, previous Socceroos coaches showed little or no imagination in their tactics against opposition teams. Enter Guus Hiddink. Now, finally we have found a coach who is prepared to experiment, take risks and produce a brand of football that has put Australia well and truly on the map as a nation to be reckoned with. There was nothing more frustrating than watching previous World Cup campaigns where Australia would play its home leg with one lone striker, try a pinch a goal and then travel overseas to play the return leg, hoping for a happy

ending by defending in numbers. These coaches sat back with arms folded looking for miracles to occur without any input from them whatsoever, tactically or positional. One man's loss is another's gain. I cannot see Hiddink's replacement being able to equal his achievements with the Socceroos. Russia is his next port of call and I am sure that they will also achieve success.

Speaking of the World Cup, the standard of refereeing has been far from acceptable. The man in black for the Australia Vs Croatia match either needs a math lesson to be able to count to two Yellow Cards or an eye sight test to be able to tell the difference between the colour Yellow and Red!

To the local scene, and status quo in the coaching ranks for both Premier League and State League Division One, however, for how long? Green Gully find themselves in a territory that they are not very accustomed to, and its name is the relegation zone.

I have a premonition that something will give down Gully way shortly, watch this space. State League Division 2 South East broke its duck last week with the first coaching change occurring at Stonnington City.

Andy Humble and Stonnington City parted ways during the week, and I have always been a firm believer of the "domino theory" – the first coaching change will lead to more coaching changes at other clubs.

The Kingston City Vs Oakleigh Canons match was played on Friday night and a draw was somewhat of a fair result.

For me, it was a game of two halves with the Oakleigh Cannons having most of the play in the first half and Kingston coming home with a

wet sail in the second half. Two matches played between these two clubs and so far, two draws produced. Next time they play there will have to be a result as it will be a Finals match.

During the last 3 weeks, I have done something that I have not done in a very long time, and that is NOT attended any Soccer matches on the weekends.

Work commitments have kept me away from my usual haunts on the weekends and the University of Melbourne have approached me to use me on a Study that they are doing. It covers the Psychological effects of soccer addicts who do not get their weekly fix of going to see a match.

As I wanted to save them a lot of time, I asked them to contact J Walker who would be able to give them the cure for this illness.

The biggest upset of the week belonged to the result of the Southern Stars Vs Clayton match. First met last, and the last team on the ladder, Clayton, had not heard the Fat Lady sing at all this season.

The Fat Lady certainly sang for Clayton after they defeated Southern Stars 4-1. Those who like to back the underdog would have certainly



Katsa approved: Guus Hiddink gets two thumbs up in his techniques to coaching

had a smile on their face if they put money on this result, as it was returning 13/1!

Until next week.....

This Is Katsa, but not as you've known him. When the Fat Lady sings, I hope that you're a winner!

Gus' (Not Guus!) Langwarrin Success

They say a week is a long time in politics, but in football it can seem like a lifetime, especially if you're the coach.

So far this year no less than eight Premier league coaches have either jumped, been pushed or moved of their own accord. The same trend is apparent right the way down through the metro leagues to the provisional divisions.

Someone who bucks this trend is Langwarrin coach Gus Macleod. The Glasgow born Macleod is in his eighth year at the Division One club and there is no evidence his tenure is under threat, particularly in light of the weekends comprehensive 3-0 win over Port Melbourne.

One explanation for his longevity is that the club plots its course in five year lots, rather than season to season, and their committee is not prone to hysteria or rash decisions. Success, undoubtedly, is the other.

Upon migrating to Australia in the early 1980's Macleod went to Green Gully, playing in the 1981/82 Docherty Cup winning sides. He commenced his coaching career shortly after at Fawkner whereby he won the 1984 Docherty Cup in his inaugural year. Two years later he returned to Gully as coach



Gus in his playing days taking the field for Melbourne JUST

and again won the Cup.

He had a tilt at the NSL with Footscray JUST, as well as brief stints with Sunshine Georgies and Albion, before settling into Springvale City for an eight year tenure.

He came to Langwarrin in 1998, then a struggling division four side, and neither he or the club has looked back since.

Stan Webster, former Dandenong Thunder coach who was himself sacked a few weeks ago, confirms Macleod's longevity is due to a combination of success and a stable committee.

"The club has stuck by Gus and in return he has brought them up to Division One from the lower leagues," says Webster.

Webster says clubs that are constantly changing coaches tend to se-saw up and down the divisions. "They lose a few games, someone on the committee thinks his son deserves a game and the next thing they are looking for a new coach," says Webster. Interference from club officials is by no means isolated to any one league.

In the early days of Perth Glory, team owner Nick Tana was renowned for strolling into the rooms pre match and vociferously changing the team sheet to suit himself to the horror of then coach Gary Marocchi.

Macleod has a simple yet effective means of dealing with soccer mums these days. If a parent comes to him complaining about little Johnny not getting a run, he asks them to score the player out of ten on a few key performance indicators. He's yet to have one return.

Macleod is certain that a big part of being a good coach is time and experience; he is surprised at the number of coaches now in the game under the age of thirty. His advice to those coaches is that they only focus on what is within their control, namely players and player management.

"Don't get too caught up with the committee, spectators or commentators.

Respect them, especially those who've been around a long time, but realise that you only control the



:Gus Macleod (far right) with his Lanwarrin squad after gaining promotion into State One

players and make them your focus," he says.

"Organisation, discipline and fitness" are the Scotsman's mantra; he says that without these fundamentals teams will always struggle.

Another requirement for a successful coach is "balance". Whether it is juggling the demands of the committee and the team, family and football, or between working hard and having a laugh, "balance", according to Macleod, is the key.

Langwarrin midfielder Ben Caffrey has played under Macleod since 1999. He says his dedication to the club has earned him immeasurable respect around the place.

"He makes sure all the players are assigned to a junior team and he's always there early to watch the Reserves," says Caffrey.

"He instills confidence into players, he discusses any problems with you and he never attacks anyone

personally. He'll go off at us if we are slack, but he usually does so to the collective, not the individual.

Another player to have benefited from Macleod's mentoring pulled the boots on for Australia on Sunday night. At age 15 midfielder Vince Grella was the youngest player Macleod ever picked to play senior football. If Grella is an indication of what he can help to achieve in players you can guarantee he'll be around for a while to come.

By Jason Gillick

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MILO Boys S/E 14 Super League: Round 9: Whitehorse 2 Beaumaris 1, Manningham 4 Chelsea 0, South Melbourne 2 Endeavour Utd 0, Knox City 1 Bullen 1, Doncaster Rovers JSC 0 Box Hill Inter 2

MILO Boys S/E 13 Super League: Round 9: Gippsland Soccer League 2 Beaumaris 1, Nunawading City 1 Knox City 3, Mornington 1 Monash City 2, Box Hill Inter 2, Bullen 1, Dandenong City 7 Baxter 1

MILO Boys N/W 16 Super League: Round 9: Preston Lions Bye, Whitehorse 3 Beaumaris 0, Essendon Royals 2, Sydenham Park 3 Brimbank 0, Hoppers Crossing 1 Green Gully 3, North City Lions 1 Melbourne Knights 8

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MILO Boys Metro 18 Blue: Round 9: Port Melbourne JSC Bye, Brunswick City 4 Oakleigh 1, Bullen 0 Lalor Utd 0, Doncaster Rovers JSC 16 Altona Magic 0, Bye Green Gully

MILO Boys Metro 18 Orange: Round 3: Bye Glen Waverley, Springvale City 10 Rosebud 0, Mornington 1 Mooroolbark 3, Langwarrin 8 Brighton JSC 1, Sherbrooke Rangers Seaford United JSC

MILO Boys Metro 18 Purple: Round 9: Bundoora Bye, St Albans Bye, Northcote City 4 Gisborne 0, Brimbank 3 Essendon Royals 0, Kellor Park 11 Preston Lions 0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Yellow: Round 9: Bye Brandon Park, Mornington Bye, Brighton JSC 0 Eastern Lions 2, Berwick City 6 Glen Eira 0, Berwick Kings 4 Westvale 0

MILO Boys South 16 A: Round 9: Baxter 0 Beaumaris 21, Brighton JSC 3 Bentleigh Greens 3, Doveton 0 Langwarrin 1, Berwick City 4 Springvale City 2, Dandenong City 0 Sandringham City 2

MILO Boys South 16 B: Round 9: Sandringham City B Bye, Rowville Eagles 0 Chelsea 2, Doveton 3 Peninsula 3, Carrum Utd 0 Dandenong Sparrows 1, Beaumaris 1 Sandringham City 4

MILO Boys South 15 A: Round 9: Mornington 0 Cranbourne Comets 6, Berwick City 0 Springvale White Eagles 0, Langwarrin 5 Hampton Park Utd 0, Dandenong Thunder 1 Brighton JSC 0, Seaford Utd 0 Sandringham City 8

MILO Boys South 15 B: Round 9: Mornington A 0 Dandenong City 11, Brighton JSC 0 Bentleigh Greens 7, Endeavour United 4 Langwarrin 0, Rosebud 2 Berwick City 4, Beaumaris 4 Baxter 1

MILO Boys South 14 A: Round 4: Langwarrin 1 Mornington 0, Berwick City 5 Baxter 1, Beaumaris 4 Hampton Park Utd 4, Sandringham City 0 Lyndale Utd 1, Brighton 2 Springvale White Eagles 2

MILO Boys South 14 B: Round 9: White Star Dandenong Bye, Brighton JSC 3 Cranbourne Comets 3, Frankston Pines 1 Langwarrin 1, Mornington 1 Peninsula 2, Dandenong City 4 Sandringham City 0

MILO Boys South 13 A: Round 9: Endeavour Utd 0 Mornington 1, Doveton 1 Bentleigh Greens 5, Langwarrin 2 Hampton Park Utd 0, Berwick City 3 Brighton JSC 0, Frankston Pines 1 Dandenong Thunder 4

MILO Boys South 13 B: Round 3: Hampton Park Utd 0 Brighton JSC 7, Berwick City 4 Sandringham City 1, Seaford Utd 0 Beaumaris 4, Phillip Island 0 East Bentleigh 5, Lyndale Utd 10 Carrum Utd 0

MILO Boys South 13 C: Round 9: Sandringham City Bye, Baxter 0 Beaumaris 4, Brighton 2 Springvale White Eagles 3, Seaford Utd 4 Langwarrin 5, Berwick City 0 Cranbourne Comets 3

MILO Boys South 12 A: Round 9: Mornington 1 Beaumaris 5, Brighton JSC 0 Bentleigh Greens 1, Langwarrin 3 Hampton Park Utd 1, Berwick City 2 Peninsula 1, Dandenong City 2 Sandringham City 2

MILO Boys South 12 B: Round 9: Mornington Bye, Cranbourne Comets 0 Beaumaris 1, Berwick City 5 Chelsea 0, Hampton 2 Brighton 1, Seaford Utd 0 Sandringham City 2

MILO Boys South 12 C: Round 1: Bye Bye, Brighton JSC 0 Baxter 3, Mornington 3 Seaford Utd 0, Sandringham City 1 Beaumaris 2, Langwarrin 0 Rosebud 1

MILO Boys South 12 D: Round 3: Bye Bye, Harrisfield Hurricanes 13 Casey Panthers 0, Bentleigh Greens 9 Keysborough JSC 0, Lyndale Utd 0 Hampton 11, Endeavour Hills 13 Peninsula 0

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 9: Brighton Bye, Heatherton Utd 1 Beaumaris 1, Mornington 3 Berwick City 4, Cranbourne Comets 1 Hampton 4, Dandenong City 2 Sandringham City 2

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Purple: Round 9: Seaford Utd Bye, Sandringham City 5 Springvale White Eagles 1, Mornington Langwarrin, Rosebud 0 Dandenong Thunder 11, Peninsula 0 Noble Park 7

MILO Boys South 11 Joys Blue: Round 9: Doveton Bye, Baxter 1 Beaumaris 2, Brighton 1 Berwick City 8, Carrum Utd 0 Endeavour Utd 3, Dandenong City 0 Sandringham City 5

MILO Boys South 11 Joys Red: Round 9: Sandringham

City 3 Hampton 0, Brighton B 1 Mornington 0, Langwarrin 0 Hampton Park Utd 4, Berwick City 3 Brighton A 0, Beaumaris Keysborough

MILO Boys East 16 A: Round 9: Nunawading City Bye, Bullen 2 Glen Waverley 1, Doncaster Rovers JSC 0 Riversdale Raiders 4, East Bentleigh 1 Manningham 2, Sherbrooke Rangers 2 Ashburton 1

MILO Boys East 16 B: Round 9: Bye Bye, North Caulfield 0 Richmond 1, Boroondara Lions 3 Boroona 3, Glen Eira 3 Mooroolbark 10, Eastern Lions Manningham

MILO Boys East 15 A: Round 9: Bye South Springvale, North Caulfield 2 Richmond 0, Bullen 5 Knox City 0, South Melbourne 1 Doncaster Rovers JSC 1, Boroona 0 Manningham 3

MILO Boys East 15 B: Round 9: North Caulfield 2 Nunawading City 8, Eastern Lions 5 Boroona 0, Doncaster Rovers JSC 4 Glen Waverley 5, Westvale 2 East Bentleigh 1, Croydon City Arrows JSC Brandon Park

MILO Boys East 15 C: Round 1: Mooroolbark Bye, Caulfield Utd 2 Ashburton 2, Ringwood City 3 Port Melbourne JSC 0, Manningham 2 Boroondara Lions 7, Sherbrooke Rangers 4 Richmond 0

MILO Boys East 14 A: Round 9: Glen Waverley Bye, Caulfield Utd 0 Richmond 7, Bullen 1 Kingston City 3, Eastern Lions 2 Riversdale Raiders 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Nunawading City 2

MILO Boys East 14 B: Round 3: Melbourne Utd 2 Manningham 1, Springvale City 4 Clayton 0, Oakleigh 2 Glen Eira 4, North Caulfield 1 Bullen 1, Whitehorse Southern Stars

MILO Boys East 14 C: Round 9: Mooroolbark 3 Beaumaris 0, Nunawading City 8 Knox City 1, Berwick City 0 Doncaster Rovers JSC 2, Stonnington City 3 Brighton JSC 3, Glen Waverley 1 Croydon City Arrows JSC 1

MILO Boys East 14 D: Round 9: Hampton 1 Ashburton 4, Manningham 8 Eastern Lions 0, Doncaster Rovers JSC 1 Chelsea 7, Boroona 9 Glen Eira 0, East Bentleigh 4 Ringwood City 1

MILO Boys East 13 A: Round 9: Bullen Bye, North Caulfield 1 Oakleigh 1, South Melbourne 4 Doncaster Rovers 1, Port Melbourne 4 Riversdale Raiders 0, Croydon City Arrows 2 Clayton 0

MILO Boys East 13 B: Round 9: Ashburton Bye, Nunawading City 1 Richmond 5, Eastern Lions 3 Kingston City 6, Boroona 2 Manningham 0, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Monash City 6

MILO Boys East 13 C: Round 3: Springvale City Bye, Ringwood City 2 Caulfield Utd 0, North Caulfield 2 Mooroolbark 2, Bye Richmond, Glen Waverley 1 Brandon Park 2

MILO Boys East 13 D: Round 9: East Bentleigh Bye, Croydon City Arrows 3 North Caulfield 0, Boroondara Lions 1 Boroona 6, Doncaster Rovers 2 Ashburton 0, Glen Waverley 2 Glen Eira 0

MILO Boys East 12 A: Round 3: Monash City Bye, East Bentleigh 0 Bullen 5, Knox City 2 Box Hill Inter 4, Whitehorse 4 South Melbourne 1, Glen Waverley 0 Richmond 17

MILO Boys East 12 B: Round 9: North Caulfield 2 Oakleigh 0, Bullen 2 Stonnington City 1, Riversdale Raiders 1 Doncaster Rovers JSC 3, Glen Waverley 1 Ringwood City 7, Bye Croydon City Arrows JSC

MILO Boys East 12 C: Round 9: North Caulfield 2 Waverley Wanderers 0, Bullen 4 Eastern Lions 0, Mooroolbark 0 Melbourne United 8, Boroondara Lions 5 Ashburton 0, Bye Brandon Park

MILO Boys East 12 D: Round 9: Croydon City Arrows JSC 0 North Caulfield 0, Bye Eastern Lions, Doncaster Rovers JSC 10 Riversdale Raiders 0, Knox City 0 Manningham 3, Bye Clayton

MILO Boys East 12 E: Round 9: Whitehorse 1 Bentleigh Greens 4, Bye Northcote City, Bye Ringwood City, Caulfield United 9 Frankston Strikers 1, Richmond 3 Croydon City Arrows JSC 0

MILO Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 3: Bye Croydon City Arrows JSC, Doncaster Rovers JSC 2 Box Hill Inter 1, Oakleigh 2 Boroona 0, North Caulfield 1 South Melbourne 2, Glen Waverley 1 Richmond 5

MILO Boys East 11 Kangaroos Purple: Round 9: Riversdale Raiders 0 Nunawading City 1, Stonnington City 2 Ringwood City 1, South Melbourne 6 Doncaster Rovers JSC 0, Boroona 0 Bullen 4, Richmond 0 Monash City 9

MILO Boys East 11 Joys Orange: Round 9: East Bentleigh Bye, North Caulfield 2 Eastern Lions 0, Bullen 5 Knox Utd 1, Doncaster Rovers JSC Bye, Richmond 0 Clayton 5

MILO Boys East 11 Joys Blue: Round 9: Ashburton Bye, Croydon City Arrows JSC 1 Richmond 2, East Bentleigh 1 Kingston City 1, Caulfield Utd 1 Manningham 0, Nunawading City 1 Bullen 3

MILO Boys East 11 Joys Red: Round 9: Ashburton Bye, North Caulfield 1 Richmond 3, Glen Eira 0 Knox City 5, Doncaster Rovers Melbourne Utd, Sherbrooke Rangers 4 Brandon Park 0

MILO Boys East 11 Joys Yellow: Round 9: Ringwood City 3 Springvale City 1, Boroondara Lions 1 Monash City 5, Mooroolbark 7 Eastern Lions 0, Riversdale Raiders 1 Glen Eira 6, Glen Waverley 0 Port Melbourne JSC 2

MILO Boys N/W 16 B: Round 9: Werribee City 3 Altona City 0, Sydenham Park 1 Lalor Utd 5, Maribymong Greens 3 Altona East 3, Kellor Wolves 2 Meadow Park 1, Broadmeadows Utd 6 Watsonia Heights 0

MILO Boys N/W 14 B: Round 9: North Sunshine Eagles Bye, Gisborne 0 Essendon Royals 3, Sydenham Park 1 Sunbury Utd 0, Bundoora 0 Altona East 1, Light Utd 0 Sunshine Georgies 0

MILO Boys N/W 14 C: Round 2: Werribee City Bye, Essendon Royals 0 Northcote City 13, Watsonia Heights 1 Flemington Eagles 3, Altona City 0 Lalor Utd 2

MILO Boys N/W 13 B: Round 9: Mill Park 0 Laverton Park 4, Epping City 3 Hoppers Crossing JSC 0, Fawkner 6 North Coburg United 0, Heidelberg Utd 0 Brunswick Zebras 7, North Sunshine Eagles 1 Brunswick City 1

MILO Boys N/W 13 C: Round 8: Plenty Valley Lions Bye, Altona City 0 Kellor Wolves 4, Mill Park 0 Whitehorse Utd 8, Westvale 1 Brunswick Zebras 2, Melbourne Lions Brimbank City

MILO Boys North 16 A: Round 1: Bundoora 8 Clifton Hill Utd 0, Light Utd 3 Moreland Utd 1, Heidelberg Stars 4 Epping City 0, Eltham North 0 North Coburg Utd 3, Brunswick Zebras Brunswick City

MILO Boys North 15 A: Round 4: Brunswick Zebras Bye, Preston Lions 2 Whitehorse Utd 0, Eltham North 0 Whitehorse Stallions 8, Brunswick City 4 Essendon Royals 1, Moreland Wolves Bundoora

MILO Boys North 15 B: Round 1: Lalor 0 Heidelberg Utd 3, Light Utd 2 Yarraville 3, Brimbank City 7 Brunswick Zebras 2, Northcote City 10 Sunbury United 0, Carlton Youth FC 5 Plenty Valley Lions 1

MILO Boys North 14 A: Round 9: Epping City Bye, Hume Utd 1 Essendon Royals 2, Moreland Utd 0 Bundoora 1, Fawkner 6 Brunswick Zebras 0, North Coburg Utd 3 Eltham North 1

MILO Boys North 13 A: Round 9: Whitehorse Stallions 2 Essendon Royals 3, Epping City 2 Lalor Utd 2, Bundoora 1 Bendigo Amateur Soccer League 1, Moreland City 0 Light Utd 6, Diamond Valley Utd 3 Eltham North 2

MILO Boys North 12 A: Round 9: Hume Utd 2 Essendon Royals 2, North City Lions 0 Sunbury Utd 6, Fawkner 4 Bundoora 0, Heidelberg Utd 2 Epping City 1, North Coburg Utd 3 Brunswick City 2

MILO Boys North 12 B: Round 9: Whitehorse Stallions 1 Light Utd 0, Epping City 4 Lalor Utd 0, Fawkner 0 Bendigo Amateur Soccer League 2, Moreland City 0 Brunswick Zebras 6, Preston Lions 2 Eltham North 4

MILO Boys North 12 C: Round 9: Meadow Park Bye, Eltham North Bye, Banyule City 4 Plenty Valley Lions 1, Bundoora 2 Fawkner 0, Clifton Hill Utd 0 Whitehorse Stallions 3

MILO Boys North 12 D: Round 9: Hume Utd 1 Essendon Royals 4, Brunswick Zebras 2 Alphonington 1, Moreland Utd 1 Broadmeadows Utd 2, Watsonia Heights 0 Youth Utd 4, Moreland Wolves 0 Greenvale Utd 2

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 9: Epping City Bye, Eltham North 1 Heidelberg Stars 3, Bundoora 0 Preston Lions 2, Heidelberg Utd 1 Brunswick Zebras 2, North City Lions 2 Brunswick City 1

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Purple: Round 1: Light Utd Bye, Clifton Hill Utd 0 Whitehorse Stallions 2, Essendon Royals 3 Brunswick Zebras 0, Melbourne Knights 7 North City Lions 2, Fawkner Moreland City

MILO Boys North 11 Joys Blue: Round 9: Brunswick City 0 Essendon Royals 3, Epping City 1 Lalor Utd 0, Moreland Utd 4 Keon Park 0, Light Utd North 2 Diamond Valley Utd 4, North Coburg Utd 0 Watsonia Heights 1

MILO Boys West 16 A: Round 9: Kellor Park 4 Western Eagles 1, Albion Rovers 8 WWSA 2, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 4 Sunbury Utd 2, Sunshine Heights 1 Laverton Park 1, St Albans 6 Gisborne 0

MILO Boys West 15 A: Round 2: Avondale Heights 3 Kellor Park 2, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1 Altona Magic 1, Hoppers Crossing JSC 0 Brimbank 7, St Albans 0 Sunshine Georgies 9, North Sunshine Eagles 3 Merton 1

MILO Boys West 14 A: Round 9: Ballarat Academy Of Soccer Bye, Kellor Park 2 Altona City 0, Albion Rovers 8 Brimbank 0, Hoppers Crossing 1 Laverton Park 8, St Albans 0 Green Gully 2

MILO Boys West 13 A: Round 2: Sydenham Park 1 Kellor Park 2, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1 Western Eagles 0, Williamstown 0 Sunshine Georgies 14, Green Gully 3 Melbourne Knights 0, Sunshine Heights 4 Werribee City 0

MILO Boys West 12 A: Round 9: Melbourne Knights 0 Altona City 0, Sydenham Park 0 Brimbank 1, Albion Rovers 3 Werribee City 0, Hoppers Crossing JSC 0 Green Gully 7, Sunshine Heights 1 Kellor Park 4

MILO Boys West 12 B: Round 9: Kellor Park Bye, Avondale Heights 2 Brimbank 1, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 2 Merton 2, Gisborne 1 Sunshine Georgies 1, St Albans 3 Green Gully 1

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 9: Flemington Eagles Bye, Bye Altona City, Albion Rovers 4 WWSA 2, Hoppers Crossing 0 Green Gully 3, Gisborne 2 Kellor Park 0

MILO Boys West 11 Joys Blue: Round 9: Bye Satellite City Utd, Williamstown Bye, Kellor Park 0 Laverton Park 2, Avondale Heights 7 Brimbank 0, Werribee City 1 Maribymong Greens 2

MILO Boys West 11 Joys Red: Round 9: Altona City Bye, Sydenham Park Bye, Gisborne 0 Bendigo Amateur Soccer League 12, Sunbury Utd 0 Sunshine Georgies 0, St Albans 1 Green Gully 3

MILO Girls Metro 18 Green: Round 9: Whitehorse Bye, Sydenham Park Bye, Bundoora 13 Brunswick Zebras 0, St Albans 0 Sandringham City 3, Heidelberg United Bullen

MILO Girls Metro 18 Purple: Round 4: Bye Croydon City Arrows JSC, Mornington Bye, Langwarrin 4 Glen Eira 1, Endeavour Utd 1 Berwick City 2, Noble Park 4 Sherbrooke Rangers 1

MILO Girls Metro 15 A: Round 9: Westgate 2 Bendigo Amateur Soccer League 5, Watsonia Heights 0 Ashburton 4, Epping City Bye, Richmond 3 Glen Eira 0

MILO Girls Metro 15 B: Round 9: Sandringham City Bye, Rosebud 1 Brighton JSC 1, Baxter Bye, Boroondara Lions 0 Berwick City 4, Langwarrin 7 Mornington 0

MILO Girls Metro 15 C: Round 9: North Caulfield Bye, Hampton Park Utd 1 Sherbrooke Rangers 4, Brighton JSC 1 Eastern Lions 0, Mornington 2 East Bentleigh 7, Bye Croydon City Arrows JSC

MILO Girls Metro 13 A: Round 9: Baxter 2 Beaumaris 1, Brighton JSC 1 Berwick City 0, Peninsula Sherbrooke Rangers, Knox City 6 Mornington 0, Croydon City Arrows JSC 3 Sandringham City 2

MILO Girls Metro 13 B: Round 9: Doncaster Rovers JSC 3 Nunawading City 0, Richmond 4 Western Eagles 0, Brunswick Zebras 0 Dandenong Thunder 2, Carrum Utd 1 Brighton JSC 3, Boroondara Lions 4 Sunbury Utd 0

MILO Girls Metro 13 C: Round 9: Caulfield Utd 1 Hoppers Crossing JSC 2, Langwarrin 1 Bundoora 3, Beaumaris 5 Watsonia Heights 0, East Bentleigh 2 Brighton JSC 0, Doncaster Rovers JSC 0 Altona City 7

MILO Girls S/E 16 A: Round 3: Phillip Island Bye, Chelsea 6 Cranbourne Comets 0, Mooroolbark 5 Casey Panthers 2, Sherbrooke Rangers 1 Glen Waverley 0, Whitehorse 0 Langwarrin 3

MILO Girls S/E 16 B: Round 9: Berwick Kings 2 Richmond 4, Knox City 1 North Caulfield 3, Dandenong City 8 Croydon City Arrows JSC 0, Boroondara Lions 11 Boroona 0, Seaford Utd 5 Brighton JSC 0

MILO Girls S/E 14 A: Round 3: Brighton JSC Bye, Boroona 0 Sandringham City 11, Mornington Bye, Richmond 1 Berwick City 2, Whitehorse 1 Doncaster Rovers JSC 3

MILO Girls S/E 14 B: Round 9: Brighton JSC Bye, Bye Glen Eira, Ringwood City 7 Seaford Utd 0, Langwarrin 7 Mooroolbark 0, Richmond 0 North Caulfield 1

MILO Girls S/E 14 C: Round 9: Sandringham City 6 Eastern Lions 0, Glen Waverley 6 Boroona 0, Endeavour Utd 4 North Caulfield 0, Kingston City Casey Panthers, Diamond Valley Utd 1 Ashburton 0

MILO Girls S/E 12 A: Round 9: Brighton JSC Bye, Sandringham City 0 Croydon City Arrows JSC 1, Glen Eira 0 Ashburton 6, Richmond 0 North Caulfield 9, Boroondara Lions 3 Berwick City 0

MILO Girls S/E 12 B: Round 3: Brighton JSC Bye, Melbourne United 2 0 Glen Waverley 3, Baxter 0 Boroona 2, Box Hill Inter 1 Melbourne Utd 1 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 7 Glen Eira 0

MILO Girls S/E 12 C: Round 9: Knox City Bye, Port Melbourne JSC 1 Mornington 1, Baxter 1 North Caulfield 1, Sandringham City 0 Beaumaris 1, Carrum Utd 1 Caulfield Utd 1

MILO Girls S/E 11: Round 3: Croydon City Arrows JSC Bye, Richmond 2 Carrum Utd 1, Brighton JSC Bye, North Caulfield 1 Boroondara Lions 2, Sherbrooke Rangers 3 Ashburton 0

MILO Girls N/W 16 A: Round 1: Altona City 5 Sunshine Georgies 3, Gisborne 3 North City Lions 4, Epping City 1 Whitehorse Stallions 5, Bundoora 10 Sunbury Utd 0, Essendon Royals 1 South Melbourne 3

MILO Girls N/W 16 B: Round 9: Kellor Park Bye, Sandringham City 5 Brunswick Zebras 0, Albion Rovers 6 Brimbank 2, Williamstown 1 Eltham North 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 3 Merton 0

MILO Girls N/W 14 A: Round 9: Kellor Park 3 Gisborne 0, Epping City 3 Meadow Park 2, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 2 Brunswick Zebras 1, Eltham North 3 Brunswick City 0

MILO Girls N/W 12: Round 1: Eltham North 1 Essendon Royals 0, A Brunswick Zebras 0 Brunswick City 5, Bendigo Amateur Soccer League Bye, Diamond Valley Utd 2 Alphonington 0

MILO Boys S/E 16 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Knox City JSC	9	8	1	0	37	225	
South Melbourne JFC	9	7	0	2	42	131	
Bullen JSC	9	6	2	1	36	820	
Southern Stars JFC	9	5	2	2	17	107	
Bentleigh Greens JSC	9	3	2	4	9	27	11
South Eastern Piranhas	9	2	3	4	13	15	9
Doncaster Rovers JSC	9	2	2	5	15	35	8
Glen Waverley JSC	9	1	4	4	14	25	7
Oakleigh JSC	9	1	1	7	8	25	4
Whitehorse	9	1	1	7	6	37	4

MILO Boys S/E 15 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Box Hill Inter JSC	8	6	1	1	34	13	9
South Melbourne JFC	7	4	2	1	17	8	14
Bullen JSC	7	4	2	1	13	5	14
Kingston City JSC	8	4	2	2	14	10	14
Gippsland Soccer League	8	4	0	4	12	18	2
Noble Park JSC	8	3	1	4	17	23	10
Whitehorse	8	3	0	5	14	13	9
Doncaster Rovers JSC	8	0	4	4	10	28	4
Beaumaris SC	8	0	2	6	5	18	2

MILO Boys S/E 14 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
South Melbourne JFC	9	8	1	0	32	5	25
Box Hill Inter JSC	9	7	0	2	25	8	21
Bullen JSC	9	5	3	1	21	7	18
Knox City JSC	9	5	1	3	14	11	16
Manningham JSC	9	4	2	3	16	14	14
Endeavour Utd	9	3	2	4	12	10	11
Doncaster Rovers JSC	9	3	2	4	10	16	11
Chelsea JSC	9	1	2	6	6	21	5
Whitehorse	9	1	2	6	5	29	5
Beaumaris SC	9	0	1	8	3	23	1

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Brighton JSC	9 3 2 4 13 11
Berwick City JSC	9 2 3 4 13 9
Mornington SC	9 2 2 5 13 28 8
Hampton Park Utd	9 1 0 8 12 45 3
Seaford Utd	9 0 1 8 5 35 1

MILO Boys South 15 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Dandenong City JSC	9 9 0 0 63 11 27
Bentleigh Greens JSC	8 0 1 36 15 24
Endeavour United JSC	9 6 1 2 28 8 19
Berwick City JSC	9 5 0 4 23 19 15
Rosebud JSC	9 4 1 4 20 29 13
Baxter Soccer Club	9 4 0 5 18 22 12
Langwarrin SC	9 3 1 5 22 20 10
Beaumaris SC	9 3 1 5 20 28 10
Brighton JSC	9 0 1 8 9 41 1
Mornington A	9 0 1 8 5 51 1

MILO Boys South 14 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Springvale White Eagles	9 8 1 0 50 11 25
Mornington	9 7 0 2 56 12 21
Brighton	9 6 1 0 24 20 19
Sandringham City	9 6 0 3 32 15 18
Langwarrin	9 5 1 3 24 10 16
Lyndale Utd	8 4 0 4 27 25 12
Berwick City	8 3 1 4 23 19 10
Hampton Park Utd	9 1 0 8 8 49 3
Beaumaris	9 1 0 8 10 58 3
Baxter	9 1 0 8 7 58 3

MILO Boys South 14 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Frankston Pines JSC	8 7 0 1 44 6 21
Dandenong City JSC	8 7 0 1 25 4 21
Cranebourne Comets JSC	8 5 1 2 36 14 16
Brighton JSC	8 4 1 3 21 21 13
Mornington SC	8 3 1 4 20 15 10
Langwarrin SC	8 3 1 4 17 24 10
Peninsula JSC	8 3 0 5 15 26 9
Sandringham City JSC	8 1 0 7 10 38 3
White Star Dandenong JSC	8 1 0 7 6 46 3
Heatherton Utd	0 0 0 0 0 0

MILO Boys South 13 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Dandenong Thunder JSC	9 8 0 1 35 4 22
Bentleigh Greens JSC	9 7 1 1 24 7 22
Berwick City JSC	9 6 0 3 36 8 18
Langwarrin SC	9 5 2 2 23 5 17
Brighton JSC	9 5 1 3 31 11 16
Frankston Pines JSC	9 5 0 4 21 10 15
Doveyton JSC	9 2 3 4 16 24 9
Mornington SC	9 1 2 6 44 5 5
Hampton Park Utd	9 0 2 7 3 33 2
Endeavour Utd	9 0 1 8 3 49 1

MILO Boys South 13 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Lyndale Utd	8 7 1 0 41 5 22
East Bentleigh JSC	9 7 1 1 40 10 22
Berwick City JSC	9 7 0 2 42 10 21
Sandringham City JSC	9 5 2 2 33 11 17
Beaumaris SC	9 5 1 3 27 15 16
Brighton JSC	9 3 0 6 19 25 9
Phillip Island JSC	9 2 2 5 17 38 8
Carum Utd	9 2 0 7 8 45 6
Hampton Park Utd	9 1 1 7 8 50 4
Seaford Utd	8 0 2 6 3 29 2

MILO Boys South 13 C	
P W D L F A P T	
Beaumaris	8 8 0 0 30 9 24
Cranebourne Comets	8 5 2 1 27 8 17
Springvale White Eagles	7 5 0 2 19 14 15
Langwarrin	8 4 2 2 18 12 14
Seaford Utd	8 4 1 3 25 15 13
Brighton	8 2 0 6 32 14 6
Berwick City	7 1 1 5 6 17 4
Baxter	8 1 1 6 4 19 4
Sandringham City	8 1 1 6 6 30 4

MILO Boys South 12 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Beaumaris SC	9 8 1 0 25 5 25
Berwick City JSC	9 6 2 1 26 7 20
Dandenong City JSC	9 6 2 1 27 13 20
Sandringham City JSC	9 5 2 2 27 12 17
Peninsula JSC	9 4 3 2 20 7 15
Bentleigh Greens JSC	9 4 2 3 18 12 14
Mornington SC	9 2 0 7 11 22 6
Brighton JSC	9 2 0 7 6 18 6
Hampton Park Utd	9 1 0 8 3 30 3
Langwarrin SC	9 1 0 8 9 46 3

MILO Boys South 12 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Hampton	8 8 0 0 23 3 24
Beaumaris	8 5 1 2 15 5 16
Brighton	8 4 1 3 10 11 13
Cranebourne Comets	8 4 0 4 12 12 12
Berwick City	8 3 1 4 13 11 10
Mornington	8 3 1 4 9 11 10
Seaford Utd	8 3 1 4 10 15 10
Sandringham City	8 1 2 5 6 11 5
Chelsea	8 1 1 6 2 21 4
Langwarrin	0 0 0 0 0 0

MILO Boys South 12 C	
P W D L F A P T	
Rosebud JSC	7 7 0 0 29 0 21
Baxter Soccer Club	7 4 1 2 15 10 13
Beaumaris SC	7 4 1 2 15 12 13
Langwarrin SC	7 3 3 1 11 7 12
Mornington SC	6 3 0 3 6 8 9
Sandringham City JSC	6 1 1 4 7 16 4
Seaford Utd	7 1 0 6 10 22 3
Brighton JSC	7 1 0 6 5 23 3

MILO Boys South 12 D	
P W D L F A P T	
Bentleigh Greens JSC	7 7 0 0 68 1 21
Harnsfield Hurricanes	7 6 0 1 56 5 18
Keysborough JSC	7 4 1 2 46 20 13
Peninsula JSC	7 3 1 3 21 30 10
Hampton JSC	7 3 0 4 28 22 9

Endeavour Hills SC	7 2 0 5 15 57 6
Casey Panthers JSC	7 1 0 6 7 52 3
Lyndale Utd	7 1 0 6 5 59 3

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green	
P W D L F A P T	
Brighton	8 7 1 0 30 10 22
Berwick City	8 6 1 1 23 7 19
Beaumaris	8 5 2 1 26 6 17
Heatherton Utd	8 4 1 3 20 14 13
Mornington	8 4 1 3 16 12 13
Dandenong City	8 2 1 5 12 15 7
Sandringham City	8 1 3 4 6 16 6
Hampton	8 1 1 6 7 27 4
Cranebourne Comets	8 0 1 7 7 40 1

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Purple	
P W D L F A P T	
Sandringham City JSC	8 6 1 1 51 6 19
Noble Park JSC	8 5 2 1 36 3 17
Langwarrin SC	7 4 3 0 20 3 15
Seaford Utd	8 4 3 1 23 9 15
Dandenong Thunder JSC	8 4 2 2 31 10 14
Springvale White Eagles	8 3 1 4 28 13 10
Peninsula JSC	8 1 1 6 3 37 4
Mornington SC	7 0 2 5 1 44 2
Rosebud JSC	8 0 1 7 2 70 1

MILO Boys South 11 Jozeys Blue	
P W D L F A P T	
Berwick City	8 8 0 0 56 5 24
Sandringham City	8 7 0 1 31 10 21
Brighton	8 5 1 2 17 13 16
Endeavour Utd	8 5 1 2 18 15 16
Beaumaris	8 3 0 5 12 17 9
Baxter	8 2 1 5 16 21 7
Dandenong City	8 2 1 5 7 23 7
Doveyton	8 2 0 6 8 19 6
Carum Utd	8 0 0 8 1 43 0

MILO Boys South 11 Jozeys Red	
P W D L F A P T	
Hampton Park Utd	9 7 2 0 38 4 23
Brighton B	9 7 1 1 22 5 22
Mornington	9 6 1 2 20 7 19
Sandringham City	9 6 1 2 20 10 19
Hampton	9 5 0 4 20 10 15
Keysborough	8 3 0 5 12 19 9
Langwarrin	9 3 0 6 6 25 9
Brighton A	9 1 2 6 3 19 5
Beaumaris	8 1 1 6 8 21 4
Berwick City	9 1 0 8 7 34 3

MILO Boys East 16 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Bulleen JSC	8 7 0 1 38 7 21
Riversdale Raiders	8 6 1 1 30 13 19
East Bentleigh JSC	8 5 1 2 28 12 16
Nunawading City JSC	8 5 1 2 29 15 16
Manningham JSC	8 5 1 2 15 10 16
Glen Waverley JSC	8 3 0 5 18 12 9
Doncaster Rovers JSC	8 1 1 6 6 32 4
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	8 1 1 6 6 43 4
Ashburton JSC	8 0 0 8 8 34 0

MILO Boys East 16 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Boroondara Lions JFC	7 6 1 0 23 9 19
Richmond JSC	7 5 1 1 34 7 16
North Caulfield JSC	7 4 1 2 34 8 13
Boronia JSC	7 4 1 2 29 15 13
Mooolook JSC	7 2 2 3 25 31 8
Eastern Lions	6 1 1 4 14 21 4
Manningham JSC	6 1 1 4 15 28 4
Glen Eira JSC	7 0 0 7 9 64 0

MILO Boys East 15 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Bulleen JSC	8 6 1 1 27 7 19
South Springvale JSC	8 4 2 2 16 11 14
North Caulfield JSC	8 4 1 3 13 7 13
Boronia JSC	8 4 1 3 18 19 13
South Melbourne JFC	8 3 3 2 12 9 12
Manningham JSC	8 3 1 4 14 11 10
Richmond JSC	8 3 1 4 13 24 10
Knox City JSC	8 2 1 5 8 15 7
Doncaster Rovers JSC	8 1 1 6 8 26 4
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	0 0 0 0 0 0

MILO Boys East 15 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Eastern Lions	9 7 1 1 25 8 22
Brandon Park JSC	8 6 2 0 28 10 20
Croydon City Arrows JSC	8 6 0 2 19 7 18
Glen Waverley JSC	9 4 2 3 23 20 14
Nunawading City JSC	9 4 1 4 30 18 13
North Caulfield JSC	9 4 1 4 14 19 13
Westvale SC	9 3 3 3 10 9 12
Doncaster Rovers JSC	9 1 3 5 10 14 6
East Bentleigh JSC	9 1 2 6 8 26 5
Boronia JSC	9 0 1 8 4 40 1

MILO Boys East 15 C	
P W D L F A P T	
Boroondara Lions JFC	8 8 0 0 36 8 24
Ashburton JSC	8 5 2 1 32 8 17
Port Melbourne JSC	8 5 1 2 32 12 16
Caulfield Utd	8 5 1 2 28 11 16
Ringwood City JSC	8 5 0 3 22 13 15
Manningham JSC	8 3 0 5 15 19 9
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	8 2 0 6 13 33 6
Richmond JSC	8 1 0 7 2 35 3
Mooolook JSC	8 0 0 8 5 39 0

MILO Boys East 14 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Bulleen JSC	8 7 0 1 33 7 21
Nunawading City JSC	8 7 0 1 19 7 21
Kingston City JSC	8 5 1 2 21 10 16
Richmond JSC	8 3 2 3 16 10 11
Eastern Lions	8 3 1 4 18 13 10
Glen Waverley JSC	8 3 0 5 22 20 9
Riversdale Raiders	8 2 2 4 10 13 8
Caulfield Utd	8 2 0 8 10 46 6
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	8 0 2 8 8 31 2

MILO Boys East 14 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Southern Stars JFC	8 8 0 0 45 6 24
Manningham JSC	9 6 0 3 24 13 18
Bulleen JSC	9 5 2 2 16 11 17
Melbourne Utd	9 5 1 3 22 15 16
Glen Eira JSC	9 4 2 3 22 22 14
Oakleigh JSC	8 4 1 3 23 16 13
North Caulfield JSC	8 2 3 3 14 9 9
Springvale City JSC	9 2 1 6 12 23 7
Whitehorse	8 2 0 6 10 31 6
Clayton JSC	9 0 0 9 4 46 0

MILO Boys East 14 C	
P W D L F A P T	
Doncaster Rovers JSC	9 8 0 1 43 9 24
Beaumaris SC	9 6 1 2 26 15 19
Berwick City JSC	9 6 0 3 30 12 18
Nunawading City JSC	9 5 0 4 24 20 15
Croydon City Arrows JSC	9 4 2 3 22 19 14
Mooolook JSC	9 4 1 4 22 29 13
Knox City JSC	9 3 1 5 27 34 10
Stonnington City JSC	9 2 1 6 18 31 7
Glen Waverley JSC	9 1 2 6 15 30 5
Brighton JSC	9 1 2 6 13 41 5

MILO Boys East 14 D	
P W D L F A P T	
Manningham JSC	9 8 0 1 45 6 24
Boronia JSC	9 7 0 2 43 9 21
Ashburton JSC	9 7 0 2 35 12 21
Chelsea JSC	9 6 1 2 48 10 19
East Bentleigh JSC	9 5 1 3 29 17 16
Hampton JSC	9 5 0 4 26 15 15
Eastern Lions	9 3 0 6 12 50 9
Doncaster Rovers JSC	9 2 0 7 15 41 6
Ringwood City JSC	9 1 0 8 12 50 3
Glen Eira JSC	9 0 0 9 8 64 0

MILO Boys East 13 A	
P W D L F A P T	
North Caulfield	8 6 2 0 21 6 20
Oakleigh	8 5 1 2 27 14 16
South Melbourne	8 5 1 2 21 11 16
Doncaster Rovers	8 5 0 3 25 16 15
Bulleen	8 5 0 3 25 19 15
Croydon City Arrows	8 3 1 4 11 14 10
Riversdale Raiders	8 2 0 6 12 27 6
Port Melbourne	8 1 1 6 9 30 4
Clayton	8 1 0 7 10 25 3

MILO Boys East 13 B	
P W D L F A P T	
Boronia JSC	8 7 0 1 30 7 21
Kingston City JSC	8 6 2 0 21 8 20
Monash City JSC	8 4 1 3 22 10 13
Manningham JSC	8 4 0 4 13 8 12
Ashburton JSC	8 3 3 2 8 15 12
Richmond JSC	8 3 2 3 14 11 11
Eastern Lions	8 2 1 5 9 17 7
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	8 1 1 6 4 29 4
Nunawading City JSC	8 0 2 8 2 18 2

MILO Boys East 13 C	
P W D L F A P T	
Ringwood City JSC	7 5 0 2 13 7 15
Brandon Park JSC	7 4 2 1 15 10 14
North Caulfield JSC	7 4 2 1 13 8 14
Glen Waverley JSC	7 4 1 2 17 9 13
Richmond JSC	7 4 1 1 9 5 10
Caulfield Utd	6 1 1 4 9 16 4
Springvale City JSC	7 1 1 5 6 16 4
Mooolook JSC	6 0 1 5 7 18 1

MILO Boys East 13 D	
P W D L F A P T	
Doncaster Rovers	8 8 0 0 39 2 24
East Bentleigh	8 6 0 2 19 5 18
Boronia	8 6 0 2 22 11 18
Ashburton	8 5 0 3 28 12 15
Boroondara Lions	8 4 0 4 17 14 12
Croydon City Arrows	8 2 1 5 16 24 7
Glen Waverley	8 2 1 5 9 24 7
North Caulfield	8 2 0 6 9 27 6
Glen Eira	8 0 0 8 2 42 0

MILO Boys East 12 A	
P W D L F A P T	
Box Hill Inter JSC	8 8 0 0 34 7 24
Bulleen JSC	8 6 0 2 29 5 18
Richmond JSC	8 5 1 2 46 7 16
Monash City JSC	8 5 1 2 25 8 16
Whitehorse	8 5 0 3 18 9 15
South Melbourne JFC	8 3 0 5 23 21 9
Knox City JSC	8 2 0 6 13 27 6
East Bentleigh JSC	8 0 1 7 2 37 1
Glen Waverley JSC	8 0 1 7 3 72 1

MILO Boys East 12 B	
	P W D L F A P
Oakleigh JSC	8 7 0 1 27 9 21
North Caulfield JSC	8 7 0 1 22 8 21
Ringwood City JSC	8 5 2 1 25 10 17
Bulleen JSC	8 3 3 2 18 12 12
Doncaster Rovers JSC	8 3 3 2 12 8 12
Croydon City Arrows JSC	8 2 1 5 15 21 7
Stonnington City JSC	8 2 1 5 7 19 7
Riversdale Raiders	8 2 0 6 16 14 6
Glen Waverley JSC	8 0 0 8 6 47 0

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JUNIOR LEAGUES



MILO Boys North 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Greenvale Utd	9	7	1	1	33	3	22
Broadmeadows Utd	9	7	1	1	34	11	22
Essendon Royals JSC	9	6	3	0	32	8	21
Moreland Utd	9	5	0	4	19	15	15
Youth Utd	9	4	3	2	19	15	15
Brunswick Zebras JSC	9	4	0	5	14	22	12
Hume Utd	9	3	2	4	14	18	11
Watsonia Heights JSC	9	2	1	6	15	34	7
Moreland Wolves	9	1	1	7	11	32	4
Alphington	9	0	0	9	6	40	0

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bundoora JSC	8	6	1	1	22	3	19
Preston Lions JSC	8	5	3	0	24	5	18
Brunswick Zebras JSC	8	5	2	1	19	5	18
North City Lions JSC	8	5	2	1	32	10	17
Brunswick City JSC	8	4	1	3	20	10	13
Heidelberg Stars JSC	8	3	0	5	13	12	9
Heidelberg Utd	8	2	0	6	8	26	6
Epping City SC	8	1	0	7	6	31	3
Eltham North JSC	8	0	0	8	1	43	0

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Purple

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melbourne Knights JSC	8	6	2	0	30	7	20
Essendon Royals JSC	8	5	2	1	27	6	17
Whitsea Stallions JSC	8	5	1	2	14	6	16
Light Utd	8	4	3	1	16	3	15
Fawkner JSC	7	4	1	2	13	12	13
Moreland City JSC	7	3	0	4	4	12	9
North City Lions JSC	8	2	1	5	13	18	7
Brunswick Zebras JSC	8	0	1	7	4	27	1
Clifton Hill Utd	8	0	1	7	4	34	1

MILO Boys North 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Moreland Utd	9	8	1	0	37	2	25
Diamond Valley Utd	9	8	1	0	26	3	25
Essendon Royals JSC	9	6	1	2	18	6	19
Watsonia Heights JSC	9	5	0	4	13	12	15
Keon Park SC	8	3	1	4	10	12	10
Light United North JSC	8	3	0	3	14	15	9
North Coburg Utd	8	2	2	4	7	10	8
Lalor Utd	8	1	1	6	4	20	4
Brunswick City JSC	9	1	1	7	6	38	4
Epping City SC	9	1	0	8	6	23	3

MILO Boys West 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Albion Rovers	9	9	0	0	59	7	27
Keilor Park	9	7	1	1	41	6	22
St Albans	9	7	0	2	46	17	21
Western Eagles	9	5	1	3	22	20	16
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	9	4	3	2	28	17	15
WVSA	9	3	0	6	22	31	9
Sunbury Utd	9	2	1	6	17	40	7
Laverton Park	9	1	3	5	12	22	6
Gisborne	9	2	0	7	10	42	6
Sunshine Heights	9	0	1	8	2	57	1

MILO Boys West 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sunshine Georges JSC	9	7	2	0	52	8	23
North Sunshine Eagles JSC	9	6	2	1	36	11	20
Altona Magic JSC	9	5	3	1	36	9	18
Brimbank JSC	9	5	2	2	36	15	17
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	9	5	1	3	18	16	16
Keilor Park JSC	9	4	2	3	24	14	16
Avondale Heights JSC	9	3	0	6	14	35	9
St Albans	9	2	0	7	23	39	6
Melton SC	9	2	0	7	27	52	6
Hoppers Crossing JSC	9	0	0	9	2	68	0

MILO Boys West 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Albion Rovers	8	6	1	1	25	8	19
Green Gully	8	6	1	1	23	6	19
Keilor Park	8	5	2	1	22	7	17
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	8	4	2	2	14	14	14
Altona City	8	4	1	3	25	8	13
Laverton Park	8	2	2	4	14	21	8
Hoppers Crossing	8	2	0	6	12	24	6
St Albans	8	1	2	5	6	23	5
Brimbank	8	0	1	7	1	40	1

MILO Boys West 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sunshine Heights	9	8	1	0	44	7	25
Sunshine Georges	9	6	2	1	34	12	20
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	9	6	1	2	32	14	19
Keilor Park	9	6	0	3	22	12	18
Wentworth City	9	5	0	4	21	14	15
Sydenham Park	9	3	2	4	11	15	11
Green Gully	9	3	1	5	16	15	10
Western Eagles	9	3	1	5	18	19	10
Williamstown	9	1	0	8	8	54	3
Melbourne Knights	9	0	0	9	1	45	0

MILO Boys West 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Green Gully JSC	9	7	1	1	28	5	22
Albion Rovers JSC	9	7	0	2	40	11	21
Altona City JSC	9	6	2	1	39	5	20
Brimbank JSC	9	6	2	1	27	6	20
Wentworth City JSC	9	5	1	3	21	11	16
Melbourne Knights JSC	9	3	3	3	25	11	12
Keilor Park JSC	9	3	1	5	18	17	10
Sydenham Park JSC	9	2	0	7	5	23	6
Hoppers Crossing JSC	9	1	0	8	4	56	3
Sunshine Heights JSC	9	0	0	9	2	62	0

MILO Boys West 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sunshine Georges JSC	8	7	1	0	23	4	22
Keilor Park JSC	8	6	0	2	25	2	18
Gisborne Junior Soccer Club	8	4	2	2	10	6	14
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	8	4	1	3	15	17	13
Melton SC	8	3	1	4	11	12	10
St Albans	7	3	0	4	11	11	9
Brimbank JSC	8	3	0	5	7	25	9
Avondale Heights JSC	7	2	0	5	6	18	6
Green Gully JSC	8	0	1	7	5	18	1
Altona City JSC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Altona City	7	6	0	1	37	4	18
Gisborne	7	6	0	1	33	5	18
Green Gully	7	5	0	2	27	5	15
Keilor Park	7	4	1	2	27	4	13
Albion Rovers	6	2	1	3	9	18	7
WVSA	7	1	1	5	12	27	4
Hoppers Crossing	7	1	1	5	10	30	4
Flemington Eagles	6	0	0	6	5	47	0

MILO Boys West 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Avondale Heights JSC	6	6	0	0	26	4	18
Laverton Park JSC	7	4	2	1	19	8	14
Keilor Park JSC	7	4	1	2	20	5	13
Williamstown JSC	6	3	2	1	16	5	11
Maribyrnong Greens JSC	7	3	1	3	8	10	10
Satellite City Utd	7	2	0	5	9	28	6
Wentworth City JSC	7	1	1	5	6	21	4
Brimbank JSC	7	0	1	6	0	23	1

MILO Boys West 11 Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bendigo Amateur Soccer	7	8	0	1	40	9	18
Green Gully	7	5	1	1	31	6	16
Sunbury Utd	7	5	1	1	25	4	16
Sunshine Georges	7	3	3	1	26	8	12
Altona City	7	3	0	4	18	11	9
Sydenham Park	7	2	0	5	14	39	6
St Albans	7	0	2	5	6	21	2
Gisborne	7	0	1	6	2	66	1

MILO Girls Metro 18 Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sandringham City JSC	7	7	0	0	59	2	21
Bundoora JSC	6	5	0	1	38	11	15
Sydenham Park JSC	7	5	0	2	27	13	15
Brunswick Zebras JSC	7	2	2	3	27	31	8
St Albans JSC	6	2	1	3	15	16	7
Bulleen JSC	6	1	1	4	10	34	4
Heidelberg United JSC	4	0	0	4	3	29	0
Whitehorse	5	0	0	5	3	44	0

MILO Girls Metro 18 Purple

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Noble Park JSC	7	7	0	0	53	2	21
Bentley City JSC	7	4	1	2	13	11	13
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	7	4	0	3	13	11	12
Mornington SC	6	4	0	2	9	17	12
Croydon City Arrows JSC	7	2	1	4	6	14	7
Langwarrin SC	6	2	0	4	9	13	6
Endeavour Utd	7	2	0	5	5	16	6
Glen Eira JSC	7	1	0	6	4	28	3

MILO Girls Metro 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ashburton JWSC	7	5	1	1	20	8	16
Epping City SC	7	5	1	1	27	18	16
Richmond JSC	7	5	0	2	18	14	15
Bendigo Amateur Soccer	7	4	0	3	25	13	12
Beaumaris SC	7	4	0	3	23	13	12
Glen Eira JSC	7	2	0	5	14	29	5
Westgate JSC	7	1	1	5	17	27	4
Watsonia Heights JSC	7	0	1	6	5	27	1

MILO Girls Metro 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rosebud JSC	7	6	1	0	19	7	15
Langwarrin SC	7	4	1	2	20	9	13
Brighton JSC	7	4	1	2	11	7	13
Boroondara Lions JFC	7	3	1	3	15	12	10
Baxter Soccer Club	7	2	3	2	13	10	9
Bentley City JSC	7	2	1	4	8	13	7
Sandringham City JSC	7	2	0	5	6	19	6
Mornington SC	7	1	0	6	3	18	3

MILO Girls Metro 15 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Eastern Lions	7	6	0	1	19	3	18
East Bentleigh JSC	7	6	0	1	19	6	18
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	7	4	0	3	18	12	12
North Caulfield JSC	7	4	0	3	12	12	12
Brighton JSC	7	4	0	3	5	7	12
Croydon City Arrows JSC	7	3	0	4	11	8	9
Hawthorn Park Utd	7	1	0	6	2	14	3
Mornington SC	7	0	0	7	3	27	0

MILO Girls Metro 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Brighton JSC	9	7	2	0	27	4	23
Baxter Soccer Club	9	7	0	2	27	15	21
Knox City JSC	9	6	2	1	29	7	20
Beaumaris SC	9	6	1	2	22	11	19
Croydon City Arrows JSC	9	4	2	3	13	16	14
Sandringham City JSC	9	4	1	4	21	17	13
Berwick City JSC	9	3	0	6	20	16	9
Mornington SC	9	1	1	7	9	32	4
Peninsula JSC	9	1	6	4	28	4	20
Sherbrooke Rangers JSC	6	0	0	8	5	32	0

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BAYSIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE



Division 2's Parkmore has been defeated after a brilliant run of 10 consecutive victories, including one over Premier League team Rosebud in the group stage of the cup competition, Parkmore has finally made it on to the loss column. It was fellow Division 2 competitor Cranbourne Comets Goal who broke Parkmore's brilliant run in week two of the cup competition. And it was evident how much that victory meant for Cranbourne at the final whistle.

Another noteworthy mention is to Division 2's Montrose who held on to Knox City, keeping them to only a 2 - 1 lead with 20 minutes to go until Knox City finally got breathing space by eventually winning 5 - 1. Still, this is a much improved result for Montrose who where crushed 17-0 in the previous cup fixture against Western Port.

Division 3's Frankston Pines once again provided a giant killing performance after knocking over division 1's Frankston Outlaws 4 - 2 to hold top spot. They next face a club derby match between the other team that participates at the Pines, Premier League team Pines Condors. Seaford United and Phillip Island provided a scoring feast with 13 goals scored between them. Seaford United got the win 8 - 3 over their fellow Division 3 competitor and must be favorites to advance to the next stage.

Division 1's Langwarrin and Premier League's Hampton Park United will be facing off next weekend in a match that will determined who will finish top of group F with both teams lock on two wins apiece.

CUP RESULTS

- Mornington Glory 2 - 4 Monash
- Mt Lilydale B 0 - 7 Croydon Rng A
- Frankston Pines 4 - 2 Outlaws
- Pines Condors A 3 - 0 Croydon Rng B
- Pines Condors B 0 - 4 Croydon O.B.
- Seaford United 8 - 5 Phillip Island
- Baxter Eagles 1 - 2 Rosebud A
- Parkmore 2 - 3 Cranbourne Gold
- Baxter Falcons 1 - 5 Rosebud B
- Brighton O.B. 4 - 4 Peninsula A
- Langwarrin 3 - 2 Rosebud Dinos
- Hampton Park A 4 - 2 Peninsula B
- Inter Milangy 2 - 1 Cuscatlan
- Hampton Park B 0 - 1 Chelsea OB
- Boronia Knights 1 - 2 Western Port A
- Montrose A 1 - 5 Knox City A
- Boronia Colts 1 - 1 Western Port B
- Montrose B 0 - 5 Knox City B
- Bayswater A 10 - 0 Cerberus
- Boronia Cavs 2 - 1 Endeavour Sport
- Boronia Barons 0 - 6 Mt Lilydale A
- Bayswater B 5 - 0 Mornington Power

Last years Sands Hotel Challenge Cup winner and division 1's Brighton Old Boys had an epic 4 - 4 draw against Premier League's Peninsula.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Western Port	9	7	1	1	23	7	22
Hampton Park	9	6	0	3	24	23	18
Croydon Ranges	9	4	1	4	24	15	13
Boronia Knights	9	3	4	2	9	7	14
Rosebud	9	4	1	4	14	13	13
Kox City	9	4	0	5	10	18	12
Bayswater	9	3	2	4	21	15	11
Pines Condors	9	3	0	6	18	26	9
Peninsula	9	3	0	6	14	22	9
Mt Lilydale	9	2	3	4	9	17	9

Brighton will need a good result over Baxter Falcons if they are to advance to the knock-out stage.

Premier League's Bayswater Strikers proved to be far too good on the day against Division 1's Cerberus as they ran away with a 10-0 win. That's the second time this year that Bayswater has hit double figures.

Still, there may have been so many more stories to come of week 2 of the cup competition. But it will be a nail biting experience for many teams next weekend to see who in fact advances to the knockout stages of the Sands Hotel Challenge Cup and also the Trophy-Wise League Cup.

Bayside Womens Premier League

The Bayside League Womens Premier League resumed after a two week hiatus and it was business as usual for leaders Hampton Park United

as they got the better of the Frankston Pines.

Frankston Pines was able to hold Hampton Park scoreless in the first half, including a golden chance to grab the lead themselves. But it was all undone early in the second when an own goal by the Pines helped Hampton Park to eventually run out winners 4 - 0. Leading goal scorer Lisa Jones missed out for once with Marty Ghiller, Bev Bown & Sharna Morgan scoring one goal each.

Frankston Fillies hosted newcomers to the Bayside Ladies division Rosebud in a match that provided the Frankton Fillies and Rosebud their first points of the season as they drew 1 - 1. An encouraging start for Rosebud but will face a tougher opponent next weekend.

Cuscatlan enjoyed the weekend off but will be back in action against Frankston Fillies next weekend. Also Rosebud will host their first match when they entertain Frankston Pines. Hampton Park United has the weekend off and has no fears of losing top spot any time soon.

By Steven Gray



Action between Frankston Pines and Hampton Park United

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Greetings football fans and welcome to another dose of Krncevic's Krunchlines.

What an incredibly amazing World Cup campaign the Socceroos are experiencing in Germany. The team is playing with so much team spirit, self-belief and confidence I'm sure tonight is not the last time we'll see our boys participate in the world's greatest sporting event. Just looking at the body language of the touring party you can tell they're enjoying every single minute of this special odyssey and will do whatever it takes to avoid surrendering a passage into the quarter-finals. There's no doubt in my mind that Guus Hiddink has worked an absolute miracle with our squad in the short time he's been in charge and is now only three games away from the final – a scenario that would have been deemed laughable less than a year ago. Apart from instilling a clinical and professional approach, Guus has managed to find the right balance on the field of play and together with the right frame of mind there's no guessing how far the momentum can take our boys.

Furthermore, our honest and open style of play is also winning us admirers all over the world, much like the world embraced Cameroon and the Irish in past competitions. Hopefully, history can repeat itself tonight and Guus can guide the Aussies past the Italians, just as he did with Korea in Korea/Japan in 2002. I'm sure Guus will have an extremely thorough game plan in place to give the Italians a run for their money. Although one expects an exceptionally tight contest tonight, hopefully we can maintain our discipline and focus to write another chapter of history by claiming the famous scalp of the Az-

zurri.

My only other concern is that the game is officiated by a decent referee who doesn't have a bad day at the office. I've been absolutely flabbergasted by some of the performances of the referees in the tournament so far and hope for Australia's sake we don't fall at a crucial hurdle due to an incompetent decision by the men in black.

Whatever happens from here on now, the entire nation should be extremely proud of their efforts. Unlike the squad of '74 and the vast majority of squads of previous World Cup campaigns, practically every single member of this current batch of players were born and bred in Australia. It is also encouraging to think that the skills that is serving them so well in Germany, were taught on our very own suburban grounds. We've really come a long way with no expectation and something tells me it's far from over just yet.

Local Scene

Whilst the success of the Socceroos is being heralded around the country, it will be interesting to see if this current wave of the football phenomenon transpires to the local leagues. If you look at previous World Cups, more often than not, the winners have come from countries with strong domestic competitions. The timing of Australia's qualification and its extraordinary performances in Germany couldn't have come at a better time for the A-league. When Australia achieved qualification in 1974, there was no national competition in place until three years later in 1977, when the National Soccer league was eventually born. Although the league was formed with the best of intentions, the nature of its timing meant we

lost out on a golden opportunity that presented itself back then. Over three decades later, after much pain, suffering, indecision and misdirection, all the elements seem to be in place for the local game to really come into its own and provide a truly competent platform whereby young players can ply their trade. While it seems the whole country has finally twigged that it is "ok" to follow the national team as their own, I suppose the next issue on the agenda is to try and convince the same people that it's also "ok" to wear the colours of a local club. With the A-league season running for practically only half the year, I believe it's time the Vodafone Cup sides also take heed of the moment by broadening their appeal and becoming more involved on a community level.

The answer my friends is blowing in the wind.

PS...I'm curious to see if Sam Newman ventures down to Federation Square tonight wearing his pink shirt.

Until next time,

Eddie



AFL boy Sam Newman gets some grief in Germany

Victorian soccer legend Eddie Krncevic represented Australia 35 times and scored 17 goals.

He played professionally in Europe for Dinamo Zagreb (Croatia), MSV Duisberg (Germany), Mulhouse (France) and Anderlecht, FC Liege, Aalst and Charleroi in Belgium.

Eddie writes for Goal! Weekly every fortnight.



A-LEAGUE PRE-SEASON CUP

RD 1	FIXTURE – Fri 14 Jul to Sun 16 Jul		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Sat 15 Jul 06	Central Coast Mariners FC	vs	Perth Glory FC	Central Coast Stadium	6:00 pm
Sat 15 Jul 06	Queensland Roar FC	vs	Sydney FC	Carrara Stadium, Gold Coast	7:00 pm
Sun 16 Jul 06	New Zealand Knights FC	vs	Newcastle Jets FC	North Harbour Stadium	2:00 pm
Sun 16 Jul 06	Melbourne Victory FC	vs	Adelaide United FC	Aurora Stadium, Launceston	1:00 pm

BONUS ROUND	FIXTURE – Fri 4 Aug to Sun 6 Aug		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Fri 4 Aug 06	Adelaide United FC	vs	New Zealand Knights FC	Hindmarsh Stadium	7:30 pm
Sat 5 Aug 06	Newcastle Jets FC	vs	Melbourne Victory FC	Scully Park Oval, Tamworth	7:30 pm
Sun 6 Aug 06	Queensland Roar FC	vs	Central Coast Mariners FC	Clive Burghoffer Stadium, Toowoomba	3:00 pm
Sun 6 Aug 06	Sydney FC	vs	Perth Glory FC	WIN Stadium, Wollongong	5:00 pm

RD 2	FIXTURE – Fri 21 Jul to Sun 23 Jul		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Sat 22 Jul 06	Sydney FC	vs	Newcastle Jets FC	Canberra Stadium	2:00 pm
Sat 22 Jul 06	Queensland Roar FC	vs	New Zealand Knights FC	Maroochydore Soccer Club, Sunshine Coast	7:00 pm
Sat 22 Jul 06	Central Coast Mariners FC	vs	Adelaide United FC	Wade Park, Orange	3:00 pm
Sat 22 Jul 06	Perth Glory FC	vs	Melbourne Victory FC	Clipsal Stadium, Inglewood	7:00 pm

PLAYOFFS	FIXTURE		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Fri 11 Aug 06	a) Winner Group A	vs	Runner Up Group B	Winner Group A Home	
through	b) Winner Group B	vs	Runner Up Group A	Winner Group B Home	
to	c) 3 rd Place Group A	vs	4 th Place Group B	3 rd Place Group A Home	
Sun 13 Aug 06	d) 3 rd Place Group B	vs	4 th Place Group A	3 rd Place Group B Home	

RD 3	FIXTURE – Fri 28 Jul to 30 Jul		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Sat 29 Jul 06	Melbourne Victory FC	vs	Central Coast Mariners FC	Olympic Park	3:00 pm
Sat 29 Jul 06	New Zealand Knights FC	vs	Sydney FC	North Harbour Stadium	2:00 pm
Sat 29 Jul 06	Newcastle Jets FC	vs	Queensland Roar FC	Port Macquarie Regional Stadium	6:30 pm
Sun 30 Jul 06	Perth Glory FC	vs	Adelaide United FC	Dorrien Gardens, West Perth	3:00 pm

FINALS	FIXTURE		VENUE	LOCAL KICK-OFF	EST KICK-OFF
Fri 18 Aug 06	Loser Match (c)	vs	Loser Match (d)	Highest Placed Loser Match (c) / (d)	
through	Winner Match (c)	vs	Winner Match (d)	Highest Placed Winner Match (c) / (d)	
to	Loser Match (a)	vs	Loser Match (b)	Highest Placed Loser Match (a) / (b)	
Sun 20 Aug 06	Winner Match (a)	vs	Winner Match (b)	Highest Placed Winner Match (a) / (b)	

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FOOTBALL FOCUS... with Peter Kotsopoulos



fy for the 2006 World Cup

Where were you when Australia drew 2-2 with Iran? At home watching with parents, I was 9 years old at the time

And when Australia qualified for the World Cup against Uruguay? Watching with the Bulleen Zebras team at the Veneto Club

Your tip for the 2006 World Cup? Argentina

Most memorable goal you've scored? Goal against England Schoolboys in 2005

Worst injury: Ankle ligament

Record number of juggles in single attempt? 420

Steak, chicken parma or seafood? Seafood

Chips, veggies or salad? Salad

Pizza or souvlaki? Souvlaki definitely

Favourite drink, non alcoholic and alcoholic? Powerade and I don't drink alcohol

Favourite nightspot? My girlfriends place

Favourite holiday destination? The beach

Kitchen whiz or home handyman? Neither to be honest

What's in the CD player right now? Mix CD

Dream date? My girlfriend

First team-mate you'd invite to a party, and why? Dean Tartaglia because he's out of control & Damien Guglielmi because he creates a great vibe

On the end of season trip, the last player to shout drinks will be... I'm still waiting to go on my first trip

Match day superstitions or rituals? None

Typical matchday meal? Pasta

Favorite sporting team when growing up? Collingwood in the AFL & Northcote City

What are your strengths? 100% Commitment and dedication

What are your weaknesses? Would like to score more goals

Ten pin bowling or skydiving? Bowling

Toughest opponent? The whole Green Gully backline

Which team do you select when playing FIFA soccer on a computer game? Chelsea

Funniest rumour you have heard about yourself? That I was leaving Bulleen

Childhood soccer idol? Zinadene Zidane

Favorite former Socceroo? Kevin Muscat

Favourite Socceroo? Harry Kewell and Tim Cahill

Do you watch Footballers Wives? No

Best away ground you like to visit? Ep-ping Stadium and Bob Jane Stadium

If I didn't play football I'd play... For another famous team that wears black and white stripes, the mighty Magpies in the AFL

Hollywood is making a movie



about your career. Who would you select to play you in a movie? I reckon Brad Pitt could do a good job, I've heard he's got good ball skills!

Thanks Peter.

Name: Peter Kotsopoulos
Club: Bulleen Zebras FC
Position: Attacking Midfield
Age: 18
Height: 176cm
Weight: 73kgs
Nickname: Kotsy
Previous clubs: VIS, Thomastown Northcote City
Representative honours? Victoria U16 & Australian Schoolboys 2005

Outfield player you most enjoy watching in the VPL? Nick Sabljak - of Heidelberg United

In the world? Juan Riquelme

Hardest keeper and team to score against? Lou Acevski & Heidelberg

Occupation? Football Player

Craziest team mate of all time? Chris Emsovski

Most influential coach of all time? Jeff Olver and Ernie Merrick

Most memorable match as a player? Scored winning goal in 86th minute for Australian Schoolboys to defeat England Schoolboys on tour of the UK in 2005

As a fan? Australia v Uruguay to quali-

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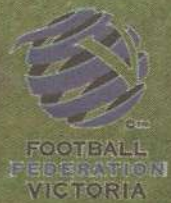
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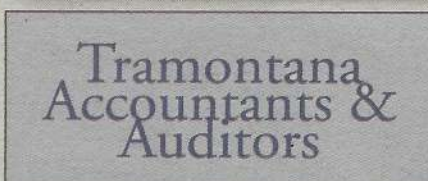
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